

## WHEN ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

Time of Day	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Total
12:01 - 1:00 a.m.	57	9	6	8	13	10	26	129
1:01 - 2:00 a.m.	26	12	11	5	7	13	27	101
2:01 - 3:00 a.m.	21	12	8	3	5	8	17	74
3:01 - 4:00 a.m.	19	8	7	2	3	4	5	48
4:01 - 5:00 a.m.	6	6	2	7	3	7	16	47
5:01 - 6:00 a.m.	9	3	8	4	8	3	15	50
6:01 - 7:00 a.m.	12	8	11	5	4	8	8	56
7:01 - 8:00 a.m.	9	13	8	12	11	6	11	70
8:01 - 9:00 a.m.	8	10	1	2	10	5	6	42
9:01 - 10:00 a.m.	10	7	6	3	11	9	10	56
10:01 - 11:00 a.m.	13	3	8	8	7	4	8	51
11:01 - 12:00 a.m.	12	5	7	5	8	5	10	52
12:01 - 1:00 p.m.	19	7	11	8	14	5	6	70
1:01 - 2:00 p.m.	11	10	9	10	8	10	16	74
2:01 - 3:00 p.m.	13	5	7	10	13	13	17	78
3:01 - 4:00 p.m.	14	21	14	13	18	13	24	117
4:01 - 5:00 p.m.	28	16	8	18	17	23	27	137
5:01 - 6:00 p.m.	24	16	19	17	21	15	24	136
6:01 - 7:00 p.m.	20	16	16	12	7	30	23	124
7:01 - 8:00 p.m.	15	14	16	5	14	22	38	124
8:01 - 9:00 p.m.	23	10	6	13	11	19	21	103
9:01 - 10:00 p.m.	24	6	12	8	12	26	13	101
10:01 - 11:00 p.m.	33	6	16	13	11	19	17	115
11:01 - 12:00 p.m.	14	10	10	11	7	22	24	98
Not Stated	7	4	9	2	8	6	7	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>2096</b>

**Death strikes at all hours.** The highest frequency was between 12:00 midnight and 1:00 a.m. on Sunday, 57 persons met death on Illinois streets and highways at this hour in 1957. The next highest frequency with 38 fatalities was between 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Saturday. Tuesday between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. was low for the year. Only 1 fatality occurred during this period.

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Location	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent
Urban - 250,000 and over pop.	58495	39.7	320	18.2	329	15.7	37239	40.6
Urban - 100,000 to 250,000 pop.	2283	1.5	9	0.5	9	0.4	954	1.0
Urban - 50,000 to 100,000 pop.	12430	8.4	65	3.7	68	3.3	6432	7.0
Urban - 25,000 to 50,000 pop.	9397	6.4	47	2.7	50	2.4	4058	4.4
Urban - 10,000 to 25,000 pop.	12797	8.7	64	3.6	73	3.5	6534	7.1
Urban - 5,000 to 10,000 pop.	8636	5.9	62	3.5	70	3.3	4383	4.8
Urban - 2,500 to 5,000 pop.	4943	3.4	33	1.9	38	1.8	2703	3.0
<b>Urban Totals</b>	<b>108981</b>	<b>74.0</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>34.1</b>	<b>637</b>	<b>30.4</b>	<b>62303</b>	<b>67.9</b>
Rural - State Highways	23858	16.2	857	48.7	1097	52.3	19947	21.8
Rural - County and Local Roads	8364	5.7	215	12.2	267	12.8	6200	6.8
Rural - Below 2,500 pop.	5987	4.1	87	5.0	95	4.5	3243	3.5
<b>Rural Totals</b>	<b>38209</b>	<b>26.0</b>	<b>1159</b>	<b>65.9</b>	<b>1459</b>	<b>69.6</b>	<b>29390</b>	<b>32.1</b>
Statewide - Totals	147190	100.0	1759	100.0	2096	100.0	91693	100.0

**Death lurks on the highways.** Although only 16.2 per cent of all Illinois motor vehicle traffic accidents reported in 1957 occurred on State Highways, 48.7 per cent of the fatal accidents were included among them. Likewise, County and Local Roads were the scene of 5.7 per cent of all accidents and 12.2 per cent of the fatal accidents. When the number of persons killed is considered, 52.3 per cent met death on State Highways in contrast to 30.4 per cent for all urban areas.

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Apparent Principal Cause	Fatal Accidents						Per Cent	
	Urban	Rural	Total	Urban	Rural	Total		
<b>Collision of Motor Vehicle with -</b>								
Pedestrian	6248	4.2	416	23.6	420	20.0	6068	6.6
Other Motor Vehicle	123525	83.9	732	41.6	969	46.2	73345	80.0
Railroad Train	542	0.4	72	4.1	97	4.6	394	0.4
Street Car	40	—	—	—	—	—	30	—
Animal Drawn Vehicle	10	—	1	—	1	—	8	—
Bicycle	1234	0.8	17	1.0	18	0.9	1259	1.4
Animal	413	0.3	4	0.2	4	0.2	106	0.1
Fixed Object	5921	4.0	184	10.5	206	10.0	3696	4.0
Other Object	634	0.4	7	0.4	9	0.4	267	0.3
<b>Overturned in Roadway</b>								
Ran off Roadway	1538	1.1	54	3.1	62	3.0	1238	1.4
Other Non-Collision	2439	1.7	58	3.3	66	3.1	1726	1.9
<b>TOTALS</b>	147190	100.0	1759	100.0	2096	100.0	91693	100.0
<b>Death uses many means. One or more persons were killed in every type of accident except</b>								
Insufficient light	1	4	5	0.3	2	3	0.2	0.2
Disregarded policeman / flagman	1	2	2	0.2	—	2	2	0.1
Loose animal on highway	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.6
Miscellaneous	10	18	28	1.6	18	18	1.6	100.0

**Death uses many means.** One or more persons were killed in every type of accident except collision of motor vehicle with street car. Severity varied. Collision of motor vehicle with pedestrian accounted for 23.6 per cent of the fatal accidents and only 4.2 per cent of all motor vehicle traffic accidents in Illinois during 1957. The one-car accident in which the vehicle ran off the roadway was next in severity with 12.2 per cent of the fatal accidents and only 3.2 per cent of all accidents. The greatest number of accidents involved the collision of two or more vehicles.

**Death results from human error.** Speed too fast for conditions, unsafe act by pedestrian, reckless driving, right of way violation, and the drinking driver were the five leading killers. Less than 4 per cent of all fatal motor vehicle traffic accidents in Illinois during 1957 were due to causes beyond driver control.

# 10 YEAR

## TRAFFIC TRENDS IN ILLINOIS . . .

DURING THE 10 YEAR PERIOD  
1948 - 1957

### MILLIONS OF VEHICLES

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
2.23	2.45	2.68	2.82	2.87	2.92	2.98	3.11	3.30	3.53
2.23	2.45	2.68	2.82	2.87	2.92	2.98	3.11	3.30	3.53
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2.23	2.45	2.68	2.82	2.87	2.92	2.98	3.11	3.30	3.53

### MILLIONS OF DRIVERS

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
2.23	2.45	2.68	2.82	2.87	2.92	2.98	3.11	3.30	3.53
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2.23	2.45	2.68	2.82	2.87	2.92	2.98	3.11	3.30	3.53

### BILLIONS OF MILES

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
22.86	23.11	23.40	23.69	24.03	24.38	24.79	25.10	25.49	25.88
22.86	23.11	23.40	23.69	24.03	24.38	24.79	25.10	25.49	25.88
22.86	23.11	23.40	23.69	24.03	24.38	24.79	25.10	25.49	25.88
22.86	23.11	23.40	23.69	24.03	24.38	24.79	25.10	25.49	25.88

### HUNDREDS OF DEATHS

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
19.39	19.63	19.86	20.10	20.35	20.60	20.86	21.10	21.35	21.59
19.39	19.63	19.86	20.10	20.35	20.60	20.86	21.10	21.35	21.59
19.39	19.63	19.86	20.10	20.35	20.60	20.86	21.10	21.35	21.59
19.39	19.63	19.86	20.10	20.35	20.60	20.86	21.10	21.35	21.59

### THOUSANDS OF INJURIES

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
63.01	63.99	64.86	65.83	66.70	67.57	68.44	69.31	70.18	71.05
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63.01	63.99	64.86	65.83	66.70	67.57	68.44	69.31	70.18	71.05
63.01	63.99	64.86	65.83	66.70	67.57	68.44	69.31	70.18	71.05

### DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
1.2	1.2876	1.2876	1.3552	1.3552	1.4715	1.4715	1.5697	1.5697	1.6579
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1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
2	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.2
2	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.2
2	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.2
2	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.2

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2	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.2
2	2.8	2.8	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.2

### DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES

1948	1949	1950</

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AGE OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

AGE 15 & UNDER	NUMBER OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS			PERCENT
	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	
16	9	35	44	1.7
17	16	60	76	2.9
18-19	56	105	161	6.0
20-24	106	278	384	14.4
25-34	180	449	629	23.6
35-44	153	349	502	18.8
45-54	88	222	310	11.6
55-64	71	170	241	9.1
65-74	40	88	128	4.8
75 & OVER	8	28	36	1.4
Not Stated	79	60	139	5.2
<b>TOTAL DRIVERS</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>1856</b>	<b>2664</b>	<b>100.0</b>

FATALITIES BY MONTH

JAN.	165
FEB.	137
MAR.	182
APR.	171
MAY	176
JUNE	199
JULY	130
AUG.	189
SEPT.	154
OCT.	194
NOV.	193
DEC.	206

LIGHT CONDITIONS

DAY- LIGHT	NUMBER OF FATAL ACCIDENTS		PERCENT
	URBAN	RURAL	
DUSK OR Dawn	40	53	9.3
DARK- NESS	287	580	86.7
NOT STATED	17	24	4.1
<b>TOTAL ACCIDENTS</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>1159</b>	<b>100.0</b>

THE 1957 TOTAL  
Per 100,000  
Population  
Economic Condition

BASED ON  
NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL ESTIMATES

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES \*  
Years 1957 and 1956 Compared

COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956		1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956
Adams	890	812	17	10	477	448	Livingston	635	654	19	33	376	453
Alexander	192	186	12	4	113	109	Logan	471	396	21	8	322	272
Bond	190	179	4	7	153	127	McDonough	379	408	10	11	167	208
Boone	295	272	8	7	226	195	McHenry	1,062	920	52	40	774	606
Brown	66	64	3	3	40	39	McLean	1,234	1,262	27	34	812	835
Bureau	446	400	15	9	286	254	Macon	1,743	1,767	35	39	1,035	979
Calhoun	87	80	3	1	38	54	Macoupin	329	374	12	13	231	238
Carroll	257	217	7	9	154	139	Marion	533	569	10	23	369	310
Cass	162	147	5	4	98	71	Mason	198	166	5	11	135	110
Champaign	1,709	1,733	43	39	880	867	Massac	154	143	3	6	134	87
Christian	486	522	18	12	280	298	Menard	68	76	1	2	48	34
Clark	224	254	11	8	189	200	Mercer	157	136	7	9	111	102
Clay	193	179	1	5	136	117	Monroe	185	157	16	6	122	125
Clinton	238	279	14	13	162	187	Montgomery	399	453	10	27	299	377
Coles	576	641	10	13	312	370	Morgan	405	414	6	9	232	245
Cook	81,750	78,378	551	512	51,915	48,291	Moultrie	203	158	4	2	115	94
Crawford	224	192	4	5	144	103	Ogle	563	553	17	26	391	354
Cumberland	147	155	4	5	123	130	Perry	218	204	10	7	141	165
DeKalb	676	582	27	15	350	307	Piatt	167	140	6	4	111	96
DeWitt	209	214	4	7	166	156	Pike	284	276	7	6	107	166
Douglas	205	234	11	24	139	175	Pope	35	43	—	2	25	29
DuPage	3,382	3,060	60	70	2,407	2,345	Pulaski	104	87	4	4	63	83
Edgar	295	282	10	4	178	162	Putnam	50	46	2	4	34	32
Edwards	62	85	3	3	30	58	Randolph	355	285	17	14	282	196
Effingham	431	413	26	12	296	259	Richland	203	203	4	8	137	126
Fayette	242	275	3	10	184	243	Rock Island	2,579	2,313	26	34	1,161	1,085
Ford	217	246	9	10	146	161	St. Clair	3,712	3,581	77	64	2,409	2,188
Franklin	415	390	12	13	245	274	Saline	289	254	10	7	219	181
Fulton	563	497	13	20	359	288	Sangamon	2,105	1,968	30	52	1,345	1,150
Gallatin	95	107	4	8	78	67	Shelby	78	93	1	1	35	58
Greene	165	159	5	1	112	91	Stark	81	77	2	3	51	66
Grundy	339	302	18	11	237	220	Stephenson	565	573	12	11	334	328
Hamilton	99	97	7	9	68	68	Tazewell	1,375	1,154	34	28	761	630
Hancock	218	239	7	4	130	150	Union	145	145	8	7	71	97
Hardin	49	55	2	2	32	35	Vermilion	1,414	1,515	30	27	737	801
Henderson	109	113	3	2	71	96	Wabash	137	160	2	5	68	88
Henry	454	453	13	14	266	287	Warren	313	288	3	6	158	175
Iroquois	561	545	17	23	399	399	Washington	181	166	3	6	165	110
Jackson	507	477	10	8	41	336	Wayne	235	254	8	11	179	169
Jasper	107	90	1	2	102	60	White	270	293	15	9	159	213
Jefferson	540	440	13	6	340	265	Whitehouse	840	771	16	14	433	429
Jersey	238	225	3	8	170	157	Will	2,654					

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5:01 - 6:00 a.m.	7	6	10	3	5	6	7	44
6:01 - 7:00 a.m.	5	12	6	8	13	12	5	61
7:01 - 8:00 a.m.	11	9	8	7	4	6	9	54
8:01 - 9:00 a.m.	5	9	8	9	2	10	11	54
9:01 - 10:00 a.m.	19	8	3	11	13	10	6	70
10:01 - 11:00 a.m.	4	9	6	7	3	8	3	40
11:01 - 12:00 a.m.	21	8	7	4	7	10	9	66
12:01 - 1:00 p.m.	7	9	9	9	3	6	16	59
1:01 - 2:00 p.m.	11	10	16	9	9	11	5	71
2:01 - 3:00 p.m.	7	10	8	12	10	14	19	80
3:01 - 4:00 p.m.	13	21	8	10	7	8	19	86
4:01 - 5:00 p.m.	22	20	17	19	22	21	6	127
5:01 - 6:00 p.m.	24	9	13	23	15	17	30	131
6:01 - 7:00 p.m.	20	20	12	14	14	12	19	111
7:01 - 8:00 p.m.	8	10	11	14	10	11	19	83
8:01 - 9:00 p.m.	21	14	10	11	10	13	9	88
9:01 - 10:00 p.m.	13	11	13	14	15	24	8	98
10:01 - 11:00 p.m.	20	10	22	8	11	25	14	110
11:01 - 12:00 p.m.	4	4	4	10	4	22	13	61
Not Stated	4	3	7	3	4	5	2	28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>1886</b>

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Location	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent
Urban - 250,000 and over pop.	108084	52.1	311	19.4	326	17.3	39919	40.7
Urban - 100,000 to 250,000 pop.	2408	1.2	7	0.4	7	0.4	1000	1.0
Urban - 50,000 to 100,000 pop.	13818	6.7	67	4.2	70	3.7	6621	6.8
Urban - 25,000 to 50,000 pop.	10528	5.1	41	2.6	42	2.2	4588	4.7
Urban - 10,000 to 25,000 pop.	15003	7.2	64	4.0	66	3.5	7279	7.4
Urban - 5,000 to 10,000 pop.	10028	4.8	48	3.0	54	2.9	4621	4.7
Urban - 2,500 to 5,000 pop.	5932	2.9	42	2.6	50	2.6	3135	3.2
Urban Totals	165801	80.0	580	36.2	615	32.6	67163	68.5
Rural - State Highways	24872	12.0	657	41.0	854	45.3	20409	20.8
Rural - County and Local Roads	9359	4.5	267	16.7	308	16.3	6779	6.9
Rural - Below 2,500 pop.	7202	3.5	97	6.1	109	5.8	3693	3.8
Rural Totals	41433	20.0	1021	63.8	1271	67.4	30881	31.5
Statewide - Totals	207234	100.0	1601	100.0	1886	100.0	98044	100.0

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Type of Accident	Contributing Circumstances Indicated						Fatal Accidents Total	Per Cent
	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent
<b>Collision of Motor Vehicle with -</b>								
Pedestrian	9979	4.8	375	23.4	381	20.2	10004	10.2
Other Motor Vehicle	175041	84.5	595	37.2	783	41.5	73740	75.2
Railroad Train	552	0.3	83	5.2	106	5.6	353	0.4
Street Car	76	—	—	—	—	—	51	0.1
Animal Drawn Vehicle	37	—	2	0.1	2	0.1	28	—
Bicycle	2219	1.1	30	1.9	31	1.6	2051	2.1
Animal	477	0.2	2	0.1	2	0.1	123	0.1
Fixed Object	8252	4.0	252	15.8	286	15.2	4501	4.6
Other Object	1368	0.6	5	0.3	5	0.3	590	0.6
Overturned in Roadway	1406	0.7	45	2.8	52	2.8	1155	1.2
Ran off Roadway	6830	3.3	197	12.3	223	11.8	4819	4.9
Other Non-Collision	997	0.5	15	0.9	15	0.8	629	0.6
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>207234</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1601</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1886</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>98044</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Death results from human error.** Speed too fast for conditions, other improper driving, failure to yield right of way, driving left of center, and driving after drinking were the chief killers in the order listed. More than half of the fatal motor vehicle traffic accidents in Illinois during 1958 were attributed to one or the other of them.

## MANNER OF COLLISION

### Motor Vehicle with other Motor Vehicle

	Fatal Accidents			Per Cent
	Urban	Rural	Total	
Head on	18	149	167	28.1
Rear end	32	87	119	20.0
Angle	74	181	255	42.9
Sideswipe-meeting	3	37	40	6.7
Sideswipe-overtaking	5	9	14	2.3
<b>Total Motor Vehicle Collisions</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>463</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Death uses many means.** One or more persons were killed in every type of accident except collision of motor vehicle with street car. Severity varied. Collision of motor vehicle with pedestrian accounted for 23.4 per cent of the fatal accidents and only 4.8 per cent of all motor vehicle traffic accidents in Illinois during 1958. The one-car accident in which the vehicle ran off the roadway was also high in severity with 12.3 per cent of the fatal accidents and only 3.3 per cent of all accidents. The greatest number of accidents involved the collision of two or more vehicles.

# 10 YEAR

## TRAFFIC TRENDS IN ILLINOIS . . .

UP  
47%  
MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS



LICENSED DRIVERS

### MILLIONS OF VEHICLES

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
2.45	2.68	2.82	2.87	2.99	3.11	3.30	3.44	3.53	3.61	

### MILLIONS OF DRIVERS

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
23.11	23.99	25.96	27.67	28.21	29.70	29.86	32.19	32.89	33.97	34.96

### BILLIONS OF MILES

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
17.91	23.11	25.96	27.67	28.21	29.70	29.86	32.19	32.89	33.97	34.96

### HUNDREDS OF DEATHS

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
19.73	23.11	25.96	27.67	28.21	29.70	29.86	32.19	32.89	33.97	34.96

### THOUSANDS OF INJURIES

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
61.99	70.65	75.75	77.19	79.97	82.05	86.65	91.69	98.04		

### THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
128.76	135.52	141.15	147.19	157.23	163.97	170.00	177.00	187.00		

### DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES

1949		1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
7.8	8.0	7.6	7.2	7.0	7.3	7.0	6.7	6.5	6.2	5.4

### MILEAGE DEATH RATE

\* 1958 COMPARED WITH 1949  
\*\* 1958 COMPARED WITH 1950

\* Having more than 5,000 population, listed in order of size.

## SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY CITIES\*

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
Chicago	108,084	58,495	326	329	39,919	37,239	Belvidere	128	96	—	—	45
Peoria	2,408	2,283	7	9	1,000	954	Herrin	108	106	—	33	81
Rockford	1,883	1,746	10	13	836	881	Charleston	98	95	—	1	43
East St. Louis	1,392	1,405	14	13	739	786	Riverside	123	123	1	—	35
Springsfield	1,370	1,269	5	3	705	668	Taylorville	124	124	—	—	68
Evanston	1,335	1,070	—	4	600	532	Zion	120	86	2	1	40
Decatur	1,408	1,267	13	8	660	665	Pontiac	118	116	1	2	32
Cicero	1,659	1,493	10	9	807	795	Summit	248	235	—	3	118
Oak Park	1,353	1,111	3	3	713	613	Franklin Park	442	342	—	1	155
Joliet	1,264	1,257	8	6	521	577	Villa Park	194	150	1	—	200
Berwyn	1,016	832	4	3	546	451	Edwardsville	128	101	2	1	59
Aurora	1,136	980	3	6	494	464	Arlington Hts.	297	194	1	—	105
Rock Island	1,044	925	3	1	391	392	Oak Lawn	463	395	3	3	340
Elgin	844	751	5	3	378	326	North Chicago	251	204	3	1	105
Champaign	1,021	718	8	6	306	245	Mount Carmel	95	75	—	41	43
Waukegan	761	687	2	4	370	253	Peru	121	100	—	67	67
Danville	923	856	2	2	410	323	East Peoria	348	274	2	8	

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STATE DOCUMENTS

AGE OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS				
AGE 5 & UNDER	NUMBER OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL
16	15	26	41	1.7
17	21	36	57	2.4
18-19	51	94	145	6.1
20-24	90	245	335	14.2
25-34	180	364	544	23.1
35-44	140	280	420	17.8
45-54	111	216	327	13.9
55-64	59	143	202	8.6
65-74	27	95	122	5.2
75 & OVER	4	27	31	1.3
Not Stated	68	48	116	4.9
<b>TOTAL DRIVERS</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>1587</b>	<b>2358</b>	<b>100.0</b>

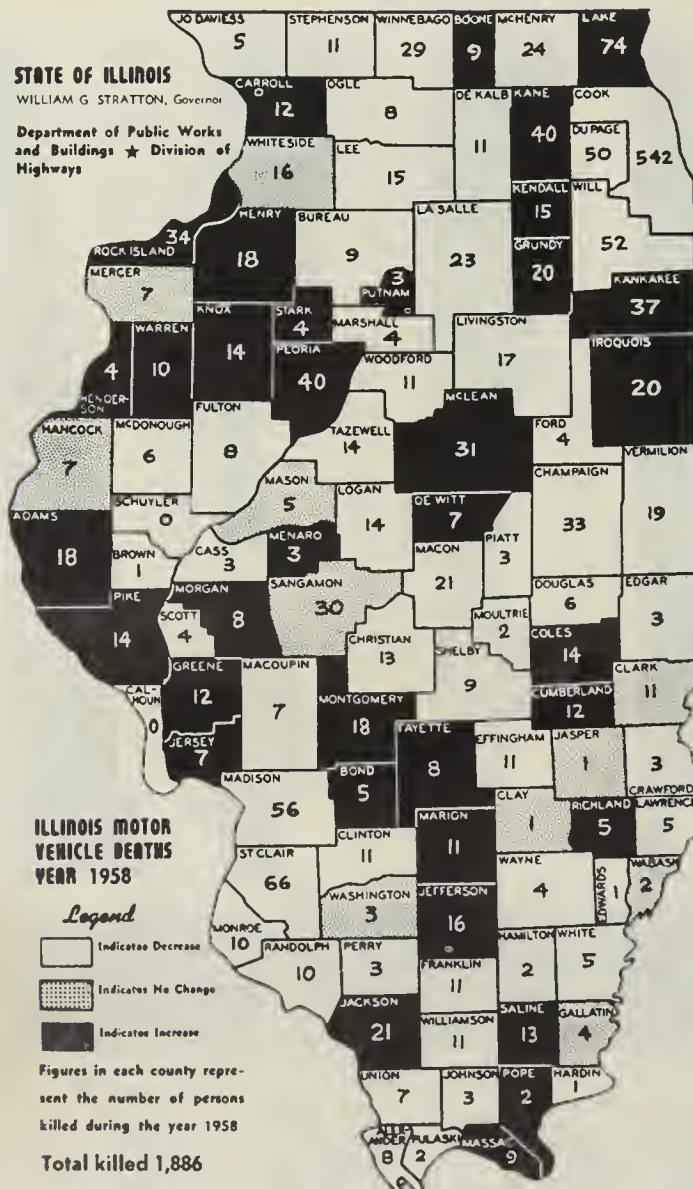
FATALITIES BY MONTH	
JAN.	114
FEB.	116
MAR.	152
APR.	129
MAY	164
JUNE	126
JULY	144
AUG.	173
SEPT.	178
OCT.	192
NOV.	190
DEC.	208

LIGHT CONDITIONS				
	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PERCENT
DAY-LIGHT	254	474	728	45.5
DUSK OR DAWN	32	50	82	5.1
DARKNESS	280	481	761	47.5
NOT STATED ?	14	16	30	1.9
<b>TOTAL ACCIDENTS</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>1021</b>	<b>1601</b>	<b>100.0</b>

THE 1958 TOLL

Persons Killed 1,886  
Persons Injured 99,444  
Economic Costs \$236,000,000

BASED ON NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL ESTIMATES



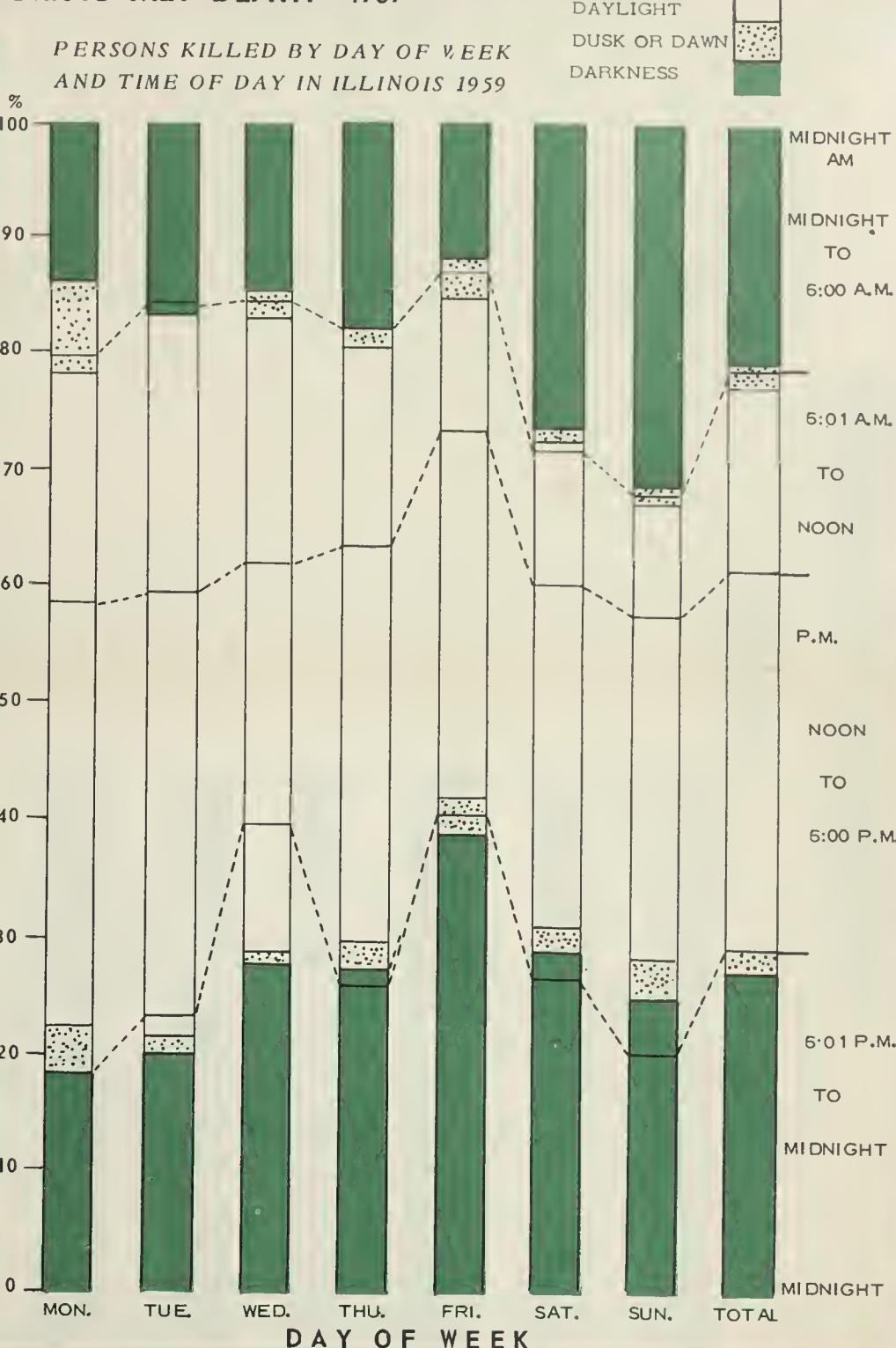
Map showing total 1958 traffic accident fatalities for each county in the State with reference to the similar total for 1957.

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES  
Years 1958 and 1957 Compared

COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957		1958	1957	1958	1957	1958	1957
Adams	977	890	18	17	485	477	Livingston	687	635	17	19	458	376
Alexander	252	192	8	12	128	113	Logan	499	471	14	21	351	322
Bond	203	190	5	4	173	153	McDonough	439	379	6	10	205	167
Boone	305	295	9	8	176	226	McHenry	1,146	1,062	24	52	719	774
Brown	75	66	1	3	53	40	McLean	1,409	1,234	31	27	932	812
Bureau	463	446	9	15	305	286	Macon	1,831	1,743	21	35	1,014	1,035
Calhoun	93	67	3	44	38	Macoupin	361	329	7	12	241	231	
Carroll	281	257	12	7	137	154	Madison	3,360	3,301	56	71	2,220	2,055
Cass	168	162	3	5	70	98	Marion	616	533	11	10	359	369
Champaign	2,239	1,799	33	43	1,055	880	Marshall	188	145	4	6	135	110
Christian	449	486	13	18	299	280	Mason	192	198	5	5	128	135
Clark	208	224	11	11	165	189	Massac	162	154	9	3	105	134
Clay	182	193	1	1	101	136	Menard	76	68	3	1	48	45
Clinton	294	238	11	14	223	162	Merrill	179	157	7	7	112	111
Coles	635	576	14	10	414	312	Monroe	207	185	10	16	174	122
Cook	135,776	542	551	56,312	51,915	3	Montgomery	439	399	18	10	319	299
Crawford	223	224	3	4	141	144	Morgan	488	405	8	6	282	232
Cumberland	138	147	12	4	120	123	Moultrie	194	203	2	4	122	115
DeKalb	700	676	11	27	355	350	Ogle	589	563	8	17	328	311
DeWitt	210	209	7	4	141	166	Perry	206	218	3	10	149	141
Douglas	227	205	6	11	171	139	Piatt	163	167	3	6	120	111
DuPage	4,018	3,382	50	60	2,526	2,407	Pike	331	254	14	7	205	197
Edgar	276	273	3	10	167	178	Pope	48	35	2	3	35	25
Edwards	77	62	1	3	46	30	Pulaski	100	104	2	4	61	63
Effingham	411	431	11	26	295	296	Putnam	77	50	3	2	56	34
Fayette	291	242	8	3	240	184	Randolph	302	355	10	17	243	282
Ford	226	217	4	9	122	146	Richland	189	203	5	4	116	137
Franklin	425	415	11	12	315	245	Rock Island	2,917	2,579	34	26	1,281	1,161
Fulton	559	563	8	13	311	359	St. Clair	3,861	3,712	66	77	2,401	2,409
Gallatin	114	95	4	4	95	78	Saline	256	289	13	10	202	219
Green	203	165	12	5	119	112	Sangamon	2,378	2,105	30	30	1,434	1,348
Grundy	311	339	20	18	197	237	Schuylerville	91	78	1	6	46	38
Hamilton	114	19	2	7	73	68	Scott	102	77	4	6	61	67
Hancock	283	218	7	7	165	130	Shelby	221	211	9	16	141	119
Hardin	52	49	1	2	37	32	Stark	89	81	4	2	51	51
Henderson	129	109	4	3	81	71	Stephenson	729	565	11	12	402	334
Henry	554	454	18	13	348	266	Tazewell	1,385	1,375	14	34	735	761
Iroquois	564	561	20	17	415	399	Union	202	145	7	8	145	71
Jackson	619	507	21	10	362	271	Vermilion	1,575	1,414	19	30	821	737
Jasper</td													

## WHEN ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH - 1959

TIME OF DAY	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	TOTAL
12:01 - 1:00 A.M.	6	6	9	8	8	32	20	89
1:01 - 2:00 A.M.	9	6	7	12	8	14	25	81
2:00 - 3:00 A.M.	4	7	4	7	8	19	12	61
3:01 - 4:00 A.M.	2	5	4	6	3	13	9	42
4:01 - 5:00 A.M.	7	10	1	9	2	17	18	64
5:01 - 6:00 A.M.	16	2	4	5	4	11	18	60
6:01 - 7:00 A.M.	7	5	10	11	11	6	7	57
7:01 - 8:00 A.M.	10	8	4	5	2	11	4	45
8:01 - 9:00 A.M.	7	11	4	8	4	6	5	45
9:01 - 10:00 A.M.	8	7	6	10	5	7	5	48
10:01 - 11:00 A.M.	6	7	7	7	10	6	5	48
11:01 - 12:00	6	11	9	6	3	8	9	52
12:01 - 1:00 P.M.	12	3	4	13	10	18	8	68
1:01 - 2:00 P.M.	7	15	5	17	12	14	8	78
2:01 - 3:00 P.M.	9	7	12	12	4	16	19	79
3:01 - 4:00 P.M.	9	13	15	17	16	21	21	113
4:01 - 5:00 P.M.	18	14	10	12	14	11	10	89
5:01 - 6:00 P.M.	28	22	17	10	28	19	26	150
6:01 - 7:00 P.M.	10	12	11	17	12	25	13	100
7:01 - 8:00 P.M.	6	14	7	17	19	17	16	96
8:01 - 9:00 P.M.	4	3	10	10	16	16	17	76
9:01 - 10:00 P.M.	8	10	8	25	18	19	17	105
10:01 - 11:00 P.M.	4	2	4	8	22	11	6	57
11:01 - 12:00	8	8	7	6	15	33	14	91
NOT STATED	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
TOTAL	211	208	180	259	254	371	312	1795



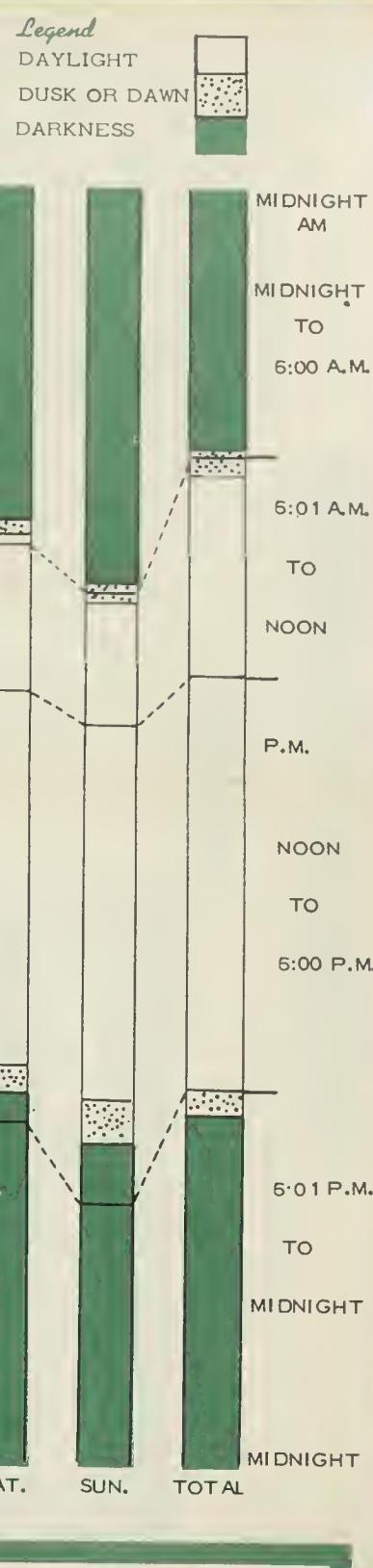
## WHERE ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH - 1959

LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	TOTAL PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT	PEDESTRIANS KILLED	PER CENT
<b>URBAN</b>										
250,000 and over pop.	111491	51.3	297	19.5	307	17.1	39024	38.1	174	48.1
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	2818	1.3	7	0.4	7	0.4	1316	1.3	4	1.1
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	14658	6.7	45	3.0	49	2.7	7072	6.9	19	5.2
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	11593	5.3	51	3.3	52	2.9	4938	4.8	26	7.2
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	15955	7.3	46	3.0	47	2.6	7546	7.4	14	3.9
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	16885	7.8	79	5.2	90	5.0	8279	8.1	24	6.6
Urban Totals	173400	79.7	525	34.4	552	30.7	68175	66.6	261	72.1
<b>RURAL</b>										
State Highways	26561	12.2	669	43.9	849	47.3	22768	22.3	48	13.3
County and Local Roads	9261	4.3	252	16.5	306	17.1	6995	6.8	29	8.0
Below 2,500 pop.	7623	3.5	76	5.0	85	4.7	4085	4.0	24	6.6
Tollways	645	0.3	3	0.2	3	0.2	284	0.3	—	—
Rural Totals	44090	20.3	1000	65.6	1243	69.3	34132	33.4	101	27.9
Statewide - Totals	217490	100.0	1525	100.0	1795	100.0	102307	100.0	362	100.0

\* PEDESTRIAN DEATHS INCLUDED

## DEATH STALKS THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

Over three-fifths of the motor vehicle miles driven in Illinois during 1959 took place in cities of over 2,500 population, accounting for nearly 80 per cent of the accidents and 31 per cent of the traffic deaths. Rural Numbered State Highways were the scene of about 12 per cent of all accidents and slightly more than 47 per cent of the traffic fatalities.



## HOW ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	PERCENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PERCENT	PERSONS KILLED	PERCENT	PERSONS INJURED	PERCENT
COLLISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE WITH - PEDESTRIAN	9380	4.3	359	23.5	362	20.2	9396	9.2
OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE	186284	85.7	621	40.7	813	45.3	79108	77.3
RAILROAD TRAIN	499	0.2	71	4.7	103	5.7	302	0.3
ANIMAL DRAWN VEHICLE	31	—	—	—	—	—	26	*
BICYCLE	1915	0.9	32	2.1	34	1.9	1710	1.7
ANIMAL	494	0.2	1	0.1	1	*	119	0.1
FIXED OBJECT	7891	3.6	195	12.8	215	12.0	4151	4.1
OTHER OBJECT	1017	0.5	5	0.3	7	0.4	428	0.4
OVERTURNED IN ROADWAY	1030	0.5	26	1.7	27	1.5	953	0.9
RAN OFF ROADWAY	8169	3.7	206	13.5	223	12.4	5713	5.6
OTHER NON-COLLISION	780	0.4	9	0.6	10	0.6	401	0.4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>217490</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1525</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1795</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>102307</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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## WHY ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

### CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS 1959

CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PERCENT OF TOTAL
SPEED TOO FAST	84	254	338	24.8
FAILED TO YIELD RIGHT-OF-WAY	176	72	248	18.2
DROVE LEFT OF CENTER	25	172	197	14.5
IMPROPER OVERTAKING	8	64	72	5.3
PASSED STOP SIGN	19	58	77	5.7
DISREGARDED TRAFFIC SIGNAL	22	24	46	3.4
FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY	5	10	15	1.1
MADE IMPROPER TURN	5	3	8	0.6
OTHER IMPROPER DRIVING	85	154	239	17.6
INADEQUATE BRAKES	11	4	15	1.1
IMPROPER LIGHTS	1	5	6	0.4
HAD BEEN DRINKING	36	63	99	7.3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>883</b>	<b>1360</b>	<b>100.0</b>

DEATH RESULTS FROM HUMAN ERROR. Speed too fast for conditions existing at the time of the fatal accident, failing to yield the right-of-way, other improper driving, driving after drinking, were the main contributing circumstances of fatal accidents in the order as listed. Over 82 per cent of the fatal motor vehicle accidents in the State during 1959 were attributed to the five contributing circumstances listed above.

FATALITIES BY MONTH		LIGHT CONDITIONS		NUMBER OF FATAL ACCIDENTS	
AGE	NUMBER OF FATAL ACCIDENTS	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PERCENT
15 & UNDER	97	120	75	258	48.1
16	5	10	0.4	166	0.1
17	9	29	1.5	131	4.3
18-19	40	46	55	160	17.0
20-24	84	111	219	151	15.1
25-34	175	142	372	547	18.8
35-44	9	42	331	473	16.3
45-54	111	195	306	13.2	13.2
55-64	64	148	212	9.2	9.2
65-74	32	89	121	5.2	5.2
75 & OVER	10	28	38	1.6	1.6
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THE 1959 TOLL	Persons Killed	1,795
Persons Injured	102,307	102,307
Economic Costs	\$270,000,000	\$270,000,000
BASED ON		

# 10 YEAR

## TRAFFIC TRENDS IN ILLINOIS . . .



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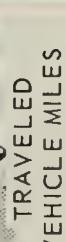
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**UP 37%\***  
DOWN 9%\*

TRAVELED VEHICLE MILES



**UP 45%\***  
DOWN 34%\*

DEATHS



**UP 37%\***  
DOWN 12%\*

HOLIDAY DEATHS

## 1950 - 1959

MILLIONS OF VEHICLES									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
2.68	2.82	2.99	3.11	3.30	3.44	3.53	3.61	3.72	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2.88	4.03	4.22	4.10	4.23	4.49	4.59	4.52	4.63	

BILLIONS OF MILES									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
25.96	27.67	28.21	29.70	29.86	32.19	32.89	33.97	34.96	35.58
20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110
25.96	27.67	28.21	29.70	29.86	32.19	32.89	33.97	34.96	35.58

HUNDREDS OF DEATHS									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60
19.73	19.92	21.35	21.79	20.59	21.95	21.35	20.96	18.86	17.95
15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	55	60

THOUSANDS OF INJURIES									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
70	75.65	75.75	80	80	85	86.65	91.69	98.04	102.31
70	75.52	118.52	124.72	123.91	136.97	141.15	147.19		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
70	75.65	75.75	80	80	85	86.65	91.69	98.04	102.31
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
7	7.6	7.2	7.6	7.3	7.0	6.7	6.5	6.2	5.4
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

AVERAGE NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR EACH DAY OF HOLIDAYS									
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
7	7.6	7.2	7.6	7.3	7.0	6.7	6.5	6.2	5.4
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

\* 1959 COMPARED WITH 1950  
\*\* 1949 COMPARED WITH 1950

\*\* 1949 COMPARED WITH 1950

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## SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY CITIES \*

CITY	Number of Accidents	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
				1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958
Chicago	111,491	108,084	307	326	307	1,316	39,024	39,919	66
Peoria	2,818	2,408	4	97	128	118	97	52	52
Rockford	2,199	1,883	4	982	108	105	51	43	43
E. St. Louis	1,457	1,392	14	827	739	198	91	110	110
Springfield	1,568	1,370	4	724	705	123	2	43	66
Evanston	1,444	1,335	13	643	600	127	120	1	56
Decatur	1,466	1,408	10	703	660	116	11	24	34
Cicero	1,626	1,659	4	782	807	116	1	147	118
Oak Park	1,290	1,355	1	678	713	194	2	224	250
Joliet	1,232	1,264	3	577	521	194	1	103	101
Berwyn	1,099	1,016	3	580	546	113	1	56	59
Aurora	1,283	1,136	6	395	494	128	1	115	148
Rock Island	1,263	1,044	8	495	391	297	1	1	1
Elgin	899	844	4	360	378	463	4	303	249
Quincy	755	718	6	306</					

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~~MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT FACTS~~

MONTHLY PEAK DAYS FOR TRAFFIC DEATHS IN ILLINOIS - 1959

Date	Day of week	Traffic Deaths	Date	Day of week	Traffic Deaths
Jan. 11	Sunday	9	July 4	Saturday	17
Feb. 27	Friday	11	Aug. 22	Saturday	11
Mar. 21	Saturday	11	Sept. 12	Saturday	19
Apr. 19	Sunday	17	Oct. 17	Saturday	15
May 16	Saturday	13	Nov. 1	Sunday	12
June 25	Thursday	14	Dec. 20	Sunday	15

There were only nine days during 1959 in Illinois without a traffic fatality, but 31 days had 10 or more fatalities with September 12 (Saturday) having 19 traffic deaths reported.

DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

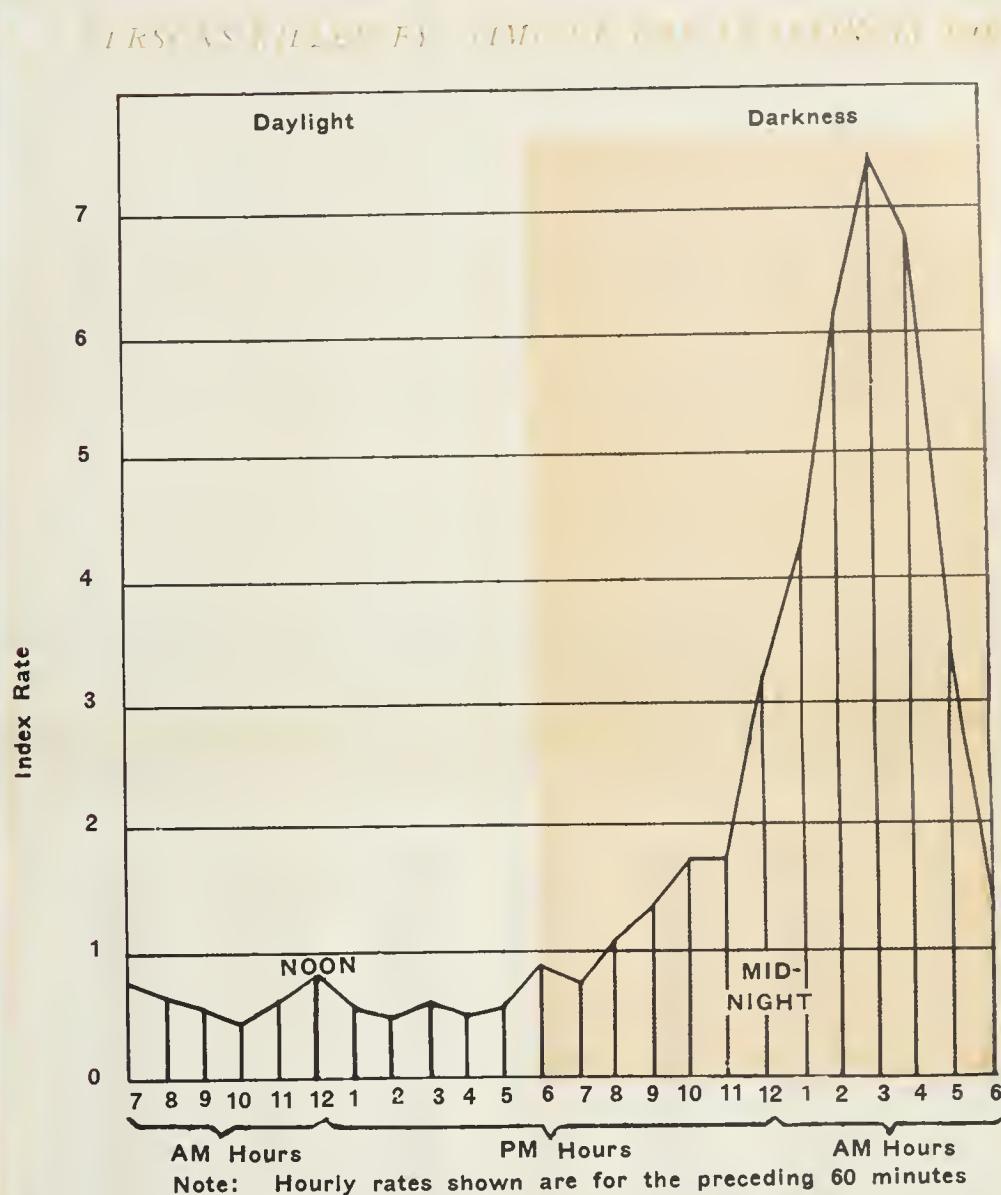


SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958		1959	1958	1959	1958	1959	1958
Adams	1,070	977	11	18	537	485	Livingston	793	687	20	17	536	458
Alexander	294	252	9	8	181	128	Logan	533	499	13	14	275	208
Bond	196	203	2	5	174	173	McDonough	496	439	7	6	281	208
Boone	291	305	4	9	184	176	McHenry	1,176	1,146	27	24	770	719
Brown	53	75	—	1	33	53	McLean	1,523	1,409	23	31	951	932
Bureau	550	463	7	9	307	305	Macon	1,911	1,831	26	21	1,949	1,014
Calhoun	68	93	1	—	40	44	Macoupin	363	361	15	7	323	241
Carroll	281	281	8	12	124	137	Madison	3,578	3,360	55	56	2,398	2,220
Cass	177	168	1	3	86	70	Marion	656	616	7	11	439	359
Champaign	2,522	2,239	16	33	1,115	1,055	Marshall	167	188	5	4	126	135
Christian	449	449	12	13	261	299	Mason	210	192	5	5	150	128
Clark	208	208	10	11	163	165	Menard	139	162	11	9	80	105
Clay	209	182	3	1	108	101	Mercer	174	179	6	7	122	112
Clinton	266	294	8	11	176	223	Monroe	243	207	4	10	198	174
Coles	613	635	19	14	369	414	Montgomery	425	439	12	18	356	319
Cook	140,532	486	56	533	56,312	56,312	Morgan	558	488	4	8	310	282
Crawford	227	223	4	3	159	141	Moultrie	167	194	3	2	138	122
Cumberland	125	138	12	12	112	120	Ogle	631	559	19	8	412	328
DeKalb	731	700	14	11	378	355	Pearl	3,789	3,231	29	40	1,990	1,557
DeWitt	243	210	9	7	194	141	Perry	210	206	3	3	174	149
Douglas	212	227	13	6	148	171	Piatt	132	163	1	3	120	120
DuPage	4,380	4,018	46	50	2,706	2,526	Pike	338	331	12	14	204	205
Edgar	276	276	10	3	179	167	Pope	41	48	1	2	42	35
Edwards	77	77	1	1	71	46	Pulaski	113	100	5	2	72	61
Effingham	451	411	16	11	360	295	Putnam	57	77	1	3	44	56
Fayette	308	291	8	8	236	240	Randolph	316	302	21	10	309	243
Ford	246	226	8	4	154	122	Richland	204	189	1	5	114	116
Franklin	462	425	11	11	354	315	Rock Island	3,476	2,917	31	34	1,458	1,281
Fulton	605	559	17	8	342	311	St. Clair	3,938	3,861	53	66	2,770	2,401
Gallatin	83	114	3	4	96	95	Saline	288	286	4	13	190	202
Greene	202	203	6	12	128	119	Sangamon	2,588	2,378	23	30	1,416	1,434
Grundy	322	311	13	20	239	197	Schuyler	138	91	3	—	92	46
Hamilton	111	114	1	2	92	73	Scout	106	102	3	4	92	60
Hancock	293	283	5	7	214	165	Shelby	188	221	5	9	123	141
Hardin	36	52	2	1	42	37	Stark	83	89	1	4	48	51
Henderson	145	129	3	4	104	81	Stephenson	686	729	12	11	348	402
Henry	580	554	16	18	379	348	Tazewell	1,704	1,385	25	14	950	735
Iroquois	624	564	18	20	475	415	Union	195	202	11	7	154	145
Jackson	600	619	8	21	363	362	Vermilion	1,712	1,575	23	19	877	821
Jasper	103	121	1	1	55	84	Waibash	141	163	—	2	67	80
Jefferson	543	530	14	16	338	302	Warren	436	358	17	10	236	186
Jersey	267	248	10	7	220	173	Washington	184	181	9	3	167	98
Jo Daviess	385	294	8	5	191	154	Wayne	207	260	1	4	122	125
Johnson	113	129	1	3	82	110	White	315	260	19	5	176	181
Kane	3,630	3,376	49	40	1,775	1,830	Whiteside	982	930	14	16	526	460
Kankakee	1,382	1,299	20	37	839	782	Will	3,026	2,668	45	52	1,853	1,534
Kendall	274	195	14	15	210	133	Williamson	602	547	11	11	463	311
Knox	940	935	13	14	456	414	Winnebago	3,527	2,983	31	29	1,907	1,515
Lake	1,658	1,604	33	23	975	843	Woodford	360	316	6	11	245	211
LaSalle	285	304	9	5	198	227							
Lawrence	514	529	20	15	253	300							
Lee					</								

## WHEN ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1960

TIME OF DAY	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	TOTAL
12:01—1:00 A.M.	6	10	6	8	12	22	26	90
1:01—2:00 A.M.	6	10	10	6	8	27	24	91
2:01—3:00 A.M.	4	4	4	10	6	27	20	75
3:01—4:00 A.M.	4	3	1	2	6	15	26	57
4:01—5:00 A.M.	7	2	5	2	4	12	14	46
5:01—6:00 A.M.	6	4	1	2	6	9	8	36
6:01—7:00 A.M.	9	10	5	6	6	12	4	52
7:01—8:00 A.M.	10	8	8	7	11	7	7	58
8:01—9:00 A.M.	5	9	7	6	7	5	8	47
9:01—10:00 A.M.	11	—	4	9	4	5	7	40
10:01—11:00 A.M.	9	6	11	7	11	14	11	69
11:01—NOON	11	12	12	10	9	10	8	72
12:01—1:00 P.M.	5	6	7	6	8	14	7	53
1:01—2:00 P.M.	8	9	6	5	10	10	5	53
2:01—3:00 P.M.	7	14	8	17	10	13	10	79
3:01—4:00 P.M.	9	7	11	8	10	9	16	70
4:01—5:00 P.M.	10	8	11	15	10	22	8	84
5:01—6:00 P.M.	21	15	11	19	21	17	17	121
6:01—7:00 P.M.	8	11	13	8	13	12	17	82
7:01—8:00 P.M.	15	12	7	8	10	25	17	94
8:01—9:00 P.M.	5	8	5	11	18	19	17	83
9:01—10:00 P.M.	11	7	10	10	22	18	18	96
10:01—11:00 P.M.	8	9	5	9	15	24	11	81
11:01—MIDNIGHT	5	7	9	8	23	26	13	91
NOT STATED	—	1	1	2	—	1	—	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>1725</b>



Index rates as shown are based on percentage distributions of persons killed in accidents and travel for each hour. A rate above one would mean that a greater proportion of the fatalities occurred for that hour than the travel would indicate.

More than 50 per cent of the fatal accidents happened during darkness with those hours accounting for less than one-third of the travel.

## WHERE ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1960

LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	TOTAL PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT	PEDES TRIANS KILLED	PER CENT
<b>URBAN</b>										
250,000 and over pop.	126786	53.5	256	17.3	276	16.0	39160	37.4	146	46.5
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	2771	1.2	10	0.7	10	0.6	1261	1.2	5	1.6
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	15792	6.6	59	4.0	63	3.7	7690	7.3	22	7.0
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	11850	5.0	40	2.7	42	2.4	5062	4.8	16	5.1
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	17007	7.2	76	5.1	83	4.8	8510	8.1	23	7.3
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	18313	7.7	90	6.1	93	5.4	9069	8.7	31	9.9
Urban Totals	192519	81.2	531	35.9	567	32.9	70752	67.5	243	77.4
<b>RURAL</b>										
State Highways	26063	11.0	623	42.0	777	45.0	22281	21.2	48	15.3
County and Local Roads	9268	3.9	230	15.5	272	15.8	6811	6.5	13	4.1
Below 2,500 pop.	8258	3.5	85	5.7	92	5.3	4566	4.4	10	3.2
Tollways	868	0.4	14	0.9	17	1.0	422	0.4	—	—
Rural Totals	44457	18.8	952	64.1	1158	67.1	34080	32.5	71	22.6
Statewide - Totals	236976	100.0	1483	100.0	1725	100.0	104832	100.0	314	100.0

\* PEDESTRIAN DEATHS INCLUDED

## DEATH STALKS THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

Over three-fifths of the motor vehicle miles driven in Illinois during 1960 took place in cities of over 2,500 population, accounting for over 81 per cent of the accidents and nearly 33 per cent of the traffic deaths. Rural Numbered State Highways were the scene of 11 per cent of all accidents and 45 per cent of the traffic fatalities.

## HOW ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	PERCENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PERCENT	PERSONS KILLED	PERSONS INJURED	PERCENT
COLLISION OF MOTOR VEHICLE WITH—PEDESTRIAN	9599	4.1	304	20.5	314	18.2	9731
OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE	204002	86.1	604	40.7	770	44.6	80669
RAILROAD TRAIN	517	0.2	78	5.3	94	5.4	328
ANIMAL DRAWN VEHICLE	19	*	—	—	—	—	*
BICYCLE	1957	0.8	20	1.3	20	1.2	1734
ANIMAL	533	0.2	—	—	—	—	0.1
FIXED OBJECT	8654	3.7	236	15.9	258	15.0	4468
OTHER OBJECT	1044	0.4	4	0.3	4	0.2	390
OVERTURNED IN ROADWAY	1122	0.5	29	2.0	31	1.8	912
RAN OFF ROADWAY	8733	3.7	195	13.1	221	12.8	5984
OTHER NON-COLLISION	796	0.3	13	0.9	13	0.8	449
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>236976</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1483</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1725</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>104832</b>

## WHY ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS 1960						
CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PERCENT OF TOTAL		
<b>SPEED TOO FAST</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>31.3</b>		
<b>FAILED TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>17.9</b>		
<b>DROVE LEFT OF CENTER</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>15.3</b>		
<b>IMPROPER OVERTAKING</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>4.8</b>		
<b>PASSED STOP SIGN</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>7.0</b>		
<b>DISREGARDED TRAFFIC SIGNAL</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>4.4</b>		
<b>FOLLOWING TOO CLOSELY</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0.9</b>		
<b>MADE IMPROPER TURN</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1.1</b>		
<b>OTHER IMPROPER DRIVING</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>5.5</b>		
<b>INADEQUATE BRAKES</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.5</b>		
<b>IMPROPER LIGHTS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0.5</b>		
<b>HAD BEEN DRINKING</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>10.8</b>		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>1304</b>	<b>100.0</b>		

DEATH RESULTS FROM HUMAN ERROR. Speed too fast for conditions existing at the time of the fatal accident, failed to yield the right of way, drove left of center, had been drinking and passed stop sign, were the main contributing circumstances of fatal accidents in the order listed. Over 82 per cent of the fatal motor vehicle accidents were attributed to these five contributing circumstances during 1960.

LIGHT CONDITIONS						
NUMBER OF FATAL ACCIDENTS						
			URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PERCENT
DAY-LIGHT	143	74	246	672	918	45.3
DUSK OR DAWN	106	118	17	45	62	4.2
DARKNESS	118	149	265	480	745	50.2
NOT STATED?	3	1	4	0.3		
<b>TOTAL ACCIDENTS</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>952</b>	<b>1483</b>	<b>100.0</b>		

**THE 1960 TOLL**

Category	Persons Killed	Persons Injured	Economic Costs
Persons Killed	1,725		
Persons Injured	104,832		
Economic Costs	\$290,000,000		

\* BASED ON NATIONAL SAFETY COUNCIL ESTIMATES

AGE OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS						
FATALITIES BY MONTH						
AGE	NUMBER OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS	PERCENT	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.
15 & UNDER	1	0.4	143	74	106	118
16	11	8	354	23.7	274	398
17	18	52	52	34	70	3.1
18-19	39	100	139	6.2		
20-24	106	225	331	14.8		
25-34	176	354	530			
35-44	124	274				
45-54	95	196	291	13.0		
55-64	70	137	207	9.2		
65-74	36	81	117	5.2		
75 & OVER	8	35	43	1.9		
NOT Stated	56	15	71	3.2		
<b>TOTAL DRIVERS</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>1499</b>	<b>2239</b>	<b>100.0</b>		

DEATH USES MANY MEANS. Every type of accident except the collision of a motor vehicle with an animal or animal-drawn vehicle killed one or more persons during 1960. Collision of a motor vehicle with a pedestrian accounted for 20.5 per cent of the fatal accidents and 4 per cent of all motor vehicle traffic accidents reported. Collision of a motor vehicle with a fixed object was responsible for about 4 per cent of all motor vehicle accidents for the year, yet 15 per cent of all persons killed were in this type of mishap. Running off the roadway accounted for about 4 per cent of all accidents and nearly 13 per cent of the total fatalities. The collision of two or more vehicles was highest in number of all accidents and fatalities with 86 and 45 per cent, respectively.

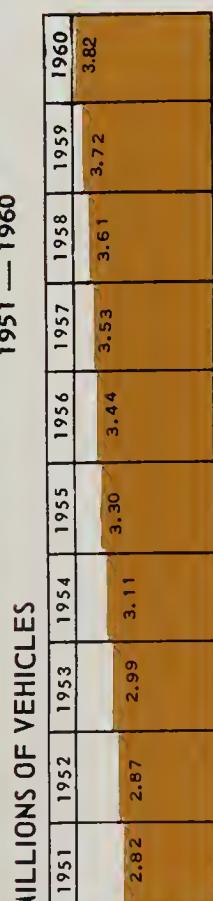
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## TRAFFIC TRENDS IN ILLINOIS . . .



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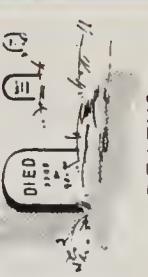
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LICENSED DRIVERS



DEATHS



ACCIDENTS



MILEAGE DEATH RATE



• Listed in order of size (1960 census).

• 1960 COMPARED WITH 1951

• 1960 COMPARED WITH 1954

CITY	Number of Accidents				Persons Injured				Persons Killed				Number of Accidents				Persons Injured			
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	
Chicago	126,786	111,491	276	307	39,160	39,024	39,024	39,024	134	124	1	1	73	64	73	64	146	132	146	132
Rockford	2,468	2,199	11	4	1,203	982	982	982	97	97	1	1	51	36	51	36	1,261	1,316	1,261	1,316
Springfield	2,771	2,818	10	7	1,232	724	724	724	39	25	2	2	51	46	51	46	1,568	845	1,568	845
E. St. Louis	2,170	1,568	7	4	1,232	829	829	829	105	96	1	1	51	46	51	46	1,457	144	1,457	144
Evanston	1,460	1,444	14	14	1,232	724	724	724	198	156	1	1	107	82	107	82	1,444	144	1,444	144
Decatur	1,543	1,460	10	10	1,232	724	724	724	198	156	1	1	107	82	107	82	1,460	144	1,460	144
Cicero	1,623	1,626	7	4	1,232	724	724	724	125	125	1	1	144	132	144	132	1,623	576	1,623	576
Joliet	1,362	1,232	2	3	1,232	724	724	724	123	119	1	1	49	45	49	45	1,232	576	1,232	576
Aurora	1,312	1,283	5	6	1,232	724	724	724	114	101	1	1	60	39	60	39	1,283	576	1,283	576
Oak Park	1,291	1,290	5	1	1,232	724	724	724	115	115	1	1	159	147	159	147	1,290	576	1,290	576
Skokie	1,467	1,379	4	5	1,232	724	724	724	286	252	1	1	159	147	159	147	1,379	576	1,379	576
Waukegan	849	827	5	5	1,232	724	724	724	175	175	1	1	151	147	151	147	827	576	827	576
Berwyn	1,090	1,099	6	6	1,232	724	724	724	142	142	1	1	64	67	64	67	1,090	576	1,090	576
Rock Island	1,163	1,263	3	8	1,232	724	724	724	142	142	1	1	66	56	66	56	1,263	576	1,263	576
Champaign	1,189	1,225	4	1	1,232	724	724	724	135	133	1	1	66	56	66	56	1,225	576	1,225	576
Elgin	1,006	899	6	4	1,232	724	724	724	125	123	1	1	66	56	66	56	899	576	899	576
Quincy	734	734	6	6	1,232	724	724	724	125	123	1	1	66	56	66	56	734	576	734	576
Alton	1,277	1,068	5	4	1,232	724	724	724	143	143	1	1	61	56	61	56	1,068	576	1,068	576
Moline	1,041	1,024	2	4	1,232	724	724	724	108	108	1	1	33	30	33	30	1,024	576	1,024	576
Granite City	516	495	2	2	1,232	724	724	724	103	96	1	1	33	30	33	30	495	576	495	576
Bellville	710	697	3	3	1,232	724	724	724	150	139	1	1	103	98	103	98	697	576	697	576
Galesburg	695	589	4	4	1,232	724	724	724	157	120	2	2	198	83	198	83	589	576	589	576
Elmhurst	642	470	6	4	1,232	724	724	724	136	136	1	1	198	83	198	83	470	576	470	576
Bloomington	782	723	5	5	1,232	724	724	724	136	136	1	1	198	83	198	83	723	576	723	576
Des Plaines	753	622	7	1	1,232	724	724	724	125	125	1	1	198	83	198	83	622	576	622	576
Chicago Hts.	468	383	1	1	1,232	724	724	724	125	125	1	1	198	83	198	83	383	576	383	576
Park Ridge	165	122	1	1	1,232	724	724	724	125	125	1	1	198	83	198	83	122	576	122	576
Harvey	760	646	9	2	1,232	724	724	724	125	125	1	1	198	83	198	83	646	576	646	576
Wilmette	503	449	1	1	1,232	724														

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MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT FACTS

MONTHLY PEAK DAYS FOR TRAFFIC DEATHS IN ILLINOIS - 1960

Date	Day of week	Traffic deaths	Date	Day of week	Traffic deaths
Jan. 9, 17, 23 & 31	Saturday	10 each	July 17 & 23	Sunday	9 each
Feb. 9	Tuesday	7	Aug. 7	Sunday	14
Mar. 12	Saturday	8	Sept. 24	Saturday	13
Apr. 16	Saturday	10	Oct. 1	Saturday	16
May 8	Sunday	17	Nov. 11	Friday	19
June 12	Sunday	16	Dec. 3	Saturday	18

During 1960 there were only 13 days without a traffic death. In contrast 29 days had 10 or more fatalities. The peak day was Friday, November 11 when 19 persons were reported killed.

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	31,513	13.3	179	12.1
Tuesday	30,693	12.9	171	11.5
Wednesday	29,311	12.4	154	10.4
Thursday	32,140	13.6	174	11.7
Friday	39,595	16.7	224	15.1
Saturday	41,288	17.4	323	21.8
Sunday	32,436	13.7	258	17.4
Total	236,976	100.0	1483	100.0

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959		1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
Adams	1,157	1,070	12	11	606	537	Livingston	737	793	17	20	454	536
Alexander	261	294	3	9	167	181	Logan	478	533	13	13	314	275
Bond	217	196	6	2	147	174	McDonough	494	496	1	7	239	281
Bonne	299	291	7	4	221	184	McHenry	1,295	1,178	37	27	867	770
Brown	93	53	1	1	51	33	McLean	1,583	1,523	22	23	905	951
Bureau	529	550	13	7	291	307	Macon	1,994	1,911	18	26	1,103	1,049
Calhoun	67	68	2	1	36	40	Macoupin	403	363	14	15	311	223
Carroll	300	281	4	8	140	124	Madison	3,793	3,578	46	59	2,502	2,398
Cass	181	177	5	1	73	86	Marion	617	656	9	7	379	439
Champaign	2,509	2,522	18	16	1,060	1,115	Marshall	190	167	7	5	131	126
Christian	461	449	13	12	290	261	Mason	240	210	3	5	127	150
Clark	195	208	13	10	176	163	Massac	122	139	—	—	80	80
Clay	202	209	10	3	146	108	Menard	88	96	1	1	63	64
Clinton	279	266	6	8	215	178	Mercer	200	174	2	6	116	122
Coles	627	613	8	19	392	389	Monroe	234	243	7	4	190	198
Cook	157,828	140,532	505	486	58,026	56,353	Montgomery	377	425	18	12	247	356
Crawford	238	227	8	4	163	159	Morgan	629	558	9	4	315	310
Cumberland	150	125	5	12	156	112	Moultrie	188	167	3	3	106	138
DeKalb	725	731	17	14	375	378	Ogle	651	631	18	19	466	412
DeWitt	254	243	5	9	150	194	Peoria	3,784	3,789	38	29	1,916	1,990
Douglas	237	212	7	13	208	146	Perry	219	210	2	3	169	174
DuPage	4,492	4,380	49	46	2,946	2,708	Piatt	170	132	8	1	89	73
Edgar	323	276	10	10	192	179	Pike	297	338	6	12	195	204
Edwards	67	77	1	1	54	71	Pope	37	41	1	1	34	42
Effingham	462	451	4	16	317	360	Pulaski	92	113	1	5	88	49
Fayette	272	308	2	8	229	236	Randolph	284	316	9	21	216	309
Ford	243	246	8	8	175	154	Richland	217	204	6	1	115	114
Franklin	465	462	11	11	353	354	Rock Island	3,381	3,476	27	31	1,349	1,458
Fulton	564	605	13	17	334	342	St. Clair	3,984	3,938	47	53	2,768	2,770
Gallatin	97	83	3	3	71	96	Saline	309	288	10	4	186	190
Greene	193	202	2	6	161	128	Sangamon	3,115	2,588	30	23	1,536	1,416
Grundy	303	322	10	13	180	239	Schuyler	124	138	4	3	88	92
Hamilton	88	111	6	1	54	92	Scott	98	106	1	3	55	52
Hancock	280	293	7	5	174	214	Shelby	210	188	4	7	150	123
Hardin	61	36	1	2	55	42	Stark	88	83	7	1	65	41
Henderson	130	145	5	3	82	104	Stephenson	728	686	6	12	401	341
Henry	543	580	23	16	303	379	Tazewell	1,706	1,704	21	25	971	955
Iroquois	520	624	22	18	396	475	Union	238	195	4	11	191	151
Jackson	653	600	14	8	346	363	Vermilion	1,671	1,712	15	23	785	878
Jasper	127	103	—	1	92	55	Wabash	180	141	3	—	101	6
Jefferson	567	543	8	14	350	338	Warren	337	436	8	17	165	23
Jersey	277	287	1	10	214	220	Washington	175	184	13	9	154	16
JoDaviess	355	385	6	8	204	191	Wayne	194	207	8	1	151	12
Johnson	127	113	5	1	80	82	White	244	315	4	19	131	17
Kane	3,951	3,630	39	49	2,074	1,775	Whiteside	998	982	14	14	502	52
Kankakee	1,290	1,382	20	20	836	839	Will	3,069	3,026	52	45	2,119	1,856
Kendall	278	274	6	14	166	210	Williamson	657	602	17	11	445	46
Knox	1,003	940	8										

WHEN ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1961

TIME	0-12	13-18	19-21	22-24	25-27	28-30	31-33	TOTAL
<b>HOUR BEGINNING</b>								
MIDNIGHT	6	8	16	12	8	36	27	113
1:00	13	11	10	10	7	30	19	100
2:00	13	8	3	6	6	21	20	77
3:00	2	1	2	3	—	14	18	40
4:00	2	3	3	1	5	16	10	40
5:00	1	5	6	4	3	13	16	48
6:00	11	9	3	9	7	8	4	51
7:00	8	7	9	6	12	5	6	53
8:00	7	5	4	5	8	9	7	45
9:00	12	4	4	4	9	11	4	48
10:00	7	7	13	7	10	9	6	59
11:00	4	4	8	7	8	14	5	50
NOON	5	4	8	5	9	14	8	53
1:00	9	3	10	8	5	5	11	51
2:00	9	9	14	10	8	18	19	87
3:00	14	14	12	17	6	14	15	92
4:00	16	11	14	11	24	13	19	108
5:00	9	14	14	11	22	12	12	94
6:00	12	3	12	13	21	24	25	110
7:00	6	13	4	12	20	26	12	93
8:00	13	12	17	10	13	24	11	100
9:00	5	7	12	8	21	12	17	82
10:00	14	8	12	10	25	28	10	107
11:00	12	9	17	14	16	33	16	117
NOT STATED	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>1822</b>

WHY ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS 1961

CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PER CENT OF TOTAL
<b>SPEED TOO FAST</b>	110	305	415	29.2
<b>FAILED TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY</b>	188	108	296	20.8
<b>DROVE LEFT OF CENTER</b>	43	195	238	16.7
<b>IMPROPER OVERTAKING</b>	1	56	57	4.0
<b>PASSED STOP SIGN</b>	14	67	81	5.7
<b>DISREGARDED TRAFFIC SIGNAL</b>	39	26	65	4.6
<b>FOLLOWED TOO CLOSELY</b>	7	9	16	1.1
<b>MADE IMPROPER TURN</b>	3	6	9	0.6
<b>OTHER IMPROPER DRIVING</b>	37	55	92	6.5
<b>INADEQUATE BRAKES</b>	1	6	7	0.5
<b>IMPROPER LIGHTS</b>	2	9	11	0.8
<b>HAD BEEN DRINKING</b>	52	83	135	9.5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>1422</b>	<b>100.0</b>

DEATH RESULTS FROM HUMAN ERROR. Speed too fast, failed to yield right of way, drove left of center, and had been drinking were, in the order listed, the circumstances contributing to the largest number of fatal accidents. Three-fourths of the fatal motor vehicle traffic accidents during 1961 were attributed to one or the other of them.

WHERE ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1961

LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	TOTAL PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT	PEDESTRIANS KILLED	PER CENT
<b>URBAN</b>										
250,000 and over pop.	129582	57.1	278	7.1	295	16.2	39143	55.9	150	44.1
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	5238	2.3	18	0.4	18	1.0	2508	3.9	9	2.5
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	16851	6.9	63	1.0	66	3.5	8809	4.0	27	1.8
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	17496	7.2	74	1.7	81	4.3	8481	7.1	20	3.9
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	18161	7.4	79	5.1	83	4.6	9696	8.8	29	8.2
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	13283	5.4	73	4.7	80	4.4	6764	6.1	24	7.1
Urban Totals	200611	82.2	585	37.4	623	34.1	75401	68.4	259	76.3
<b>RURAL</b>										
State Highways	27223	11.2	650	11.5	803	44.1	23921	41.7	44	35.9
County and Local Roads	9753	4.0	239	15.3	290	15.9	7418	8.8	19	5.6
Below 2,500 pop.	5428	2.2	73	1.7	86	4.8	2871	3.6	17	5.0
Tollways	1051	0.4	17	1.1	20	1.1	582	0.5	1	0.3
Rural Totals	43455	17.8	979	62.6	1199	65.8	34792	31.1	81	23.8
Statewide - Totals	244066	100.0	1564	100.0	1822	100.0	110193	100.0	340	100.0

\* PEDESTRIAN DEATHS INCLUDED

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS. Of all motor vehicle accidents reported in Illinois during 1961, 11.2 per cent occurred on Rural Numbered State Highways. Likewise, 4.0 per cent of all accidents and 15.3 per cent of the fatal accidents happened on County and Local Roads. In the case of traffic deaths, 44.1 per cent resulted from accidents on Rural Numbered State Highways whereas 34.2 per cent resulted from accidents at all urban locations. Three out of four pedestrians killed were on other than rural roads.

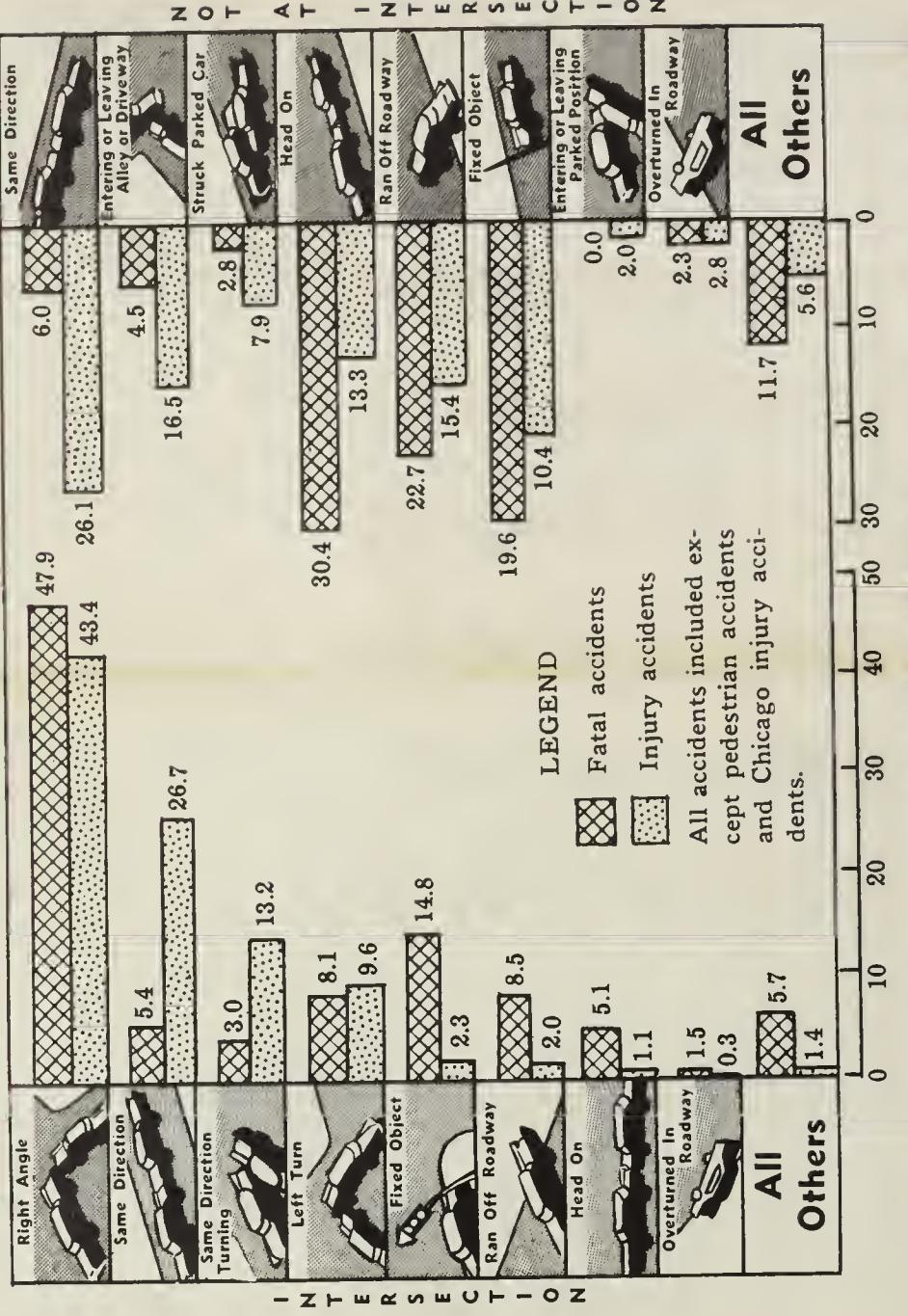
## HOW ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	PER CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT
VEHICLES	9556	3.9	336	21.5	341	18.7	9647	8.8
OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE	209156	85.7	628	40.1	805	44.2	85074	77.2
RAILROAD TRAIN	477	0.2	69	4.4	88	4.8	358	0.3
ANIMAL DRAWN VEHICLE	12	*	—	—	—	—	17	*
VEHICLES	2048	0.8	23	1.5	23	1.3	1733	1.6
ANIMAL	605	0.3	1	0.1	1	0.1	179	0.2
FIXED OBJECT	9350	3.8	224	14.3	251	13.8	4767	4.3
OTHER OBJECT	970	0.4	5	0.3	5	0.3	268	0.2
OVERTURNED IN ROADWAY	1138	0.5	26	1.7	29	1.6	956	0.9
RAN OFF ROADWAY	9843	4.0	231	14.8	258	14.1	6666	6.0
OTHER ROADWAY COLLISION	911	0.4	21	1.3	21	1.1	528	0.5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>244066</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1564</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1822</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>110193</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\* LESS THAN 0.1 OF ONE PER CENT

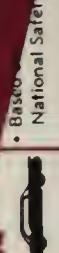
DEATH USES MANY MEANS. Collisions of two or more motor vehicles were responsible for 86 per cent of all traffic accidents and 44 per cent of the traffic fatalities in Illinois during 1961. Motor vehicles running off the roadway accounted for 4 per cent of all accidents and 15 per cent of the persons killed. Collision of motor vehicle with animal drawn vehicle was the only type of accident that did not result in at least one traffic fatality.

## INTERSECTION AND NON-INTERSECTION TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS



## PER CENT OF TOTAL

Three-fourths of the fatal motor vehicle traffic accidents, excluding pedestrian accidents, during 1961 occurred at other than intersections. Injury accidents were evenly divided between the two locations. Right angle collisions at intersections accounted for half the intersection fatal accidents. Collisions of two or more vehicles traveling in the same direction accounted for the most injury accidents.



National Safety

# 10 YEAR

## TRAFFIC TRENDS IN ILLINOIS . . .

UP 36%  
MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

UP 15%  
LICENSED DRIVERS

UP 33%  
TRAVELED VEHICLE MILES

DOWN 15%  
DEATHS

UP 59%  
INJURIES

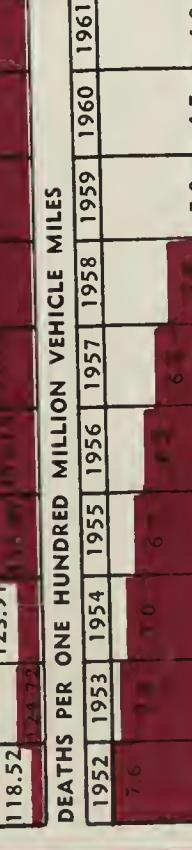
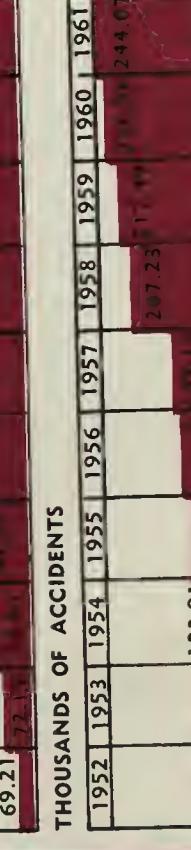
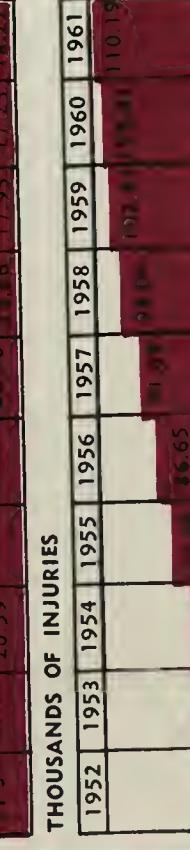
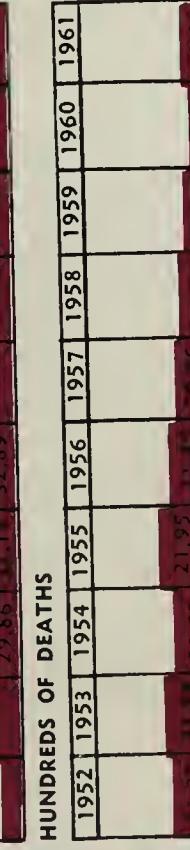
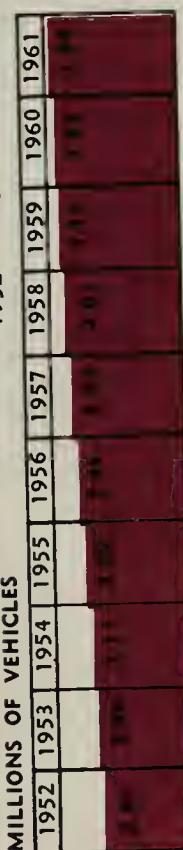
UP 106%  
ACCIDENTS

DOWN 37%  
MILEAGE DEATH RATE

DOWN 32%  
HOLIDAY DEATHS

UP 106%  
DEATHS

### 1952 — 1961



\* 1961 COMPARED WITH 1952  
\*\* 1961 COMPARED WITH 1954

\* Listed in order of size (1960 census).

CITY	ACCIDENTS						INJURED					
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Chicago	129,582	126,786	295	276	39,143	39,160	Northbrook	182	122	—	—	67
Rockford	2,498	2,468	6	11	1,272	1,203	Marion	134	134	1	1	73
Peoria	2,740	2,771	12	10	1,236	1,261	Belvidere	141	107	—	—	48
Springfield	1,959	2,170	16	17	908	853	Monmouth	150	96	1	1	51
E. St. Louis	1,610	1,460	12	14	895	846	Western Springs	122	105	—	—	51
Evanston	1,512	1,443	12	12	706	675	Lake Forest	195	198	2	2	107
Decatur	1,416	1,543	6	4	705	744	Mundelein	80	75	1	2	29
Cicero	1,563	1,623	7	7	933	858	Charleston	111	121	1	1	44
Joliet	1,510	1,362	5	2	779	675	Glencoe	129	123	—	—	49
Aurora	1,350	1,312	2	5	588	534	Peru	115	114	1	1	60
Oak Park	1,440	1,321	1	5	554	634	South Holland	96	96	1	1	60
Skokie	1,715	1,467	7	4	1,205	1,005	Summit	286	286	1	1	60
Waukegan	880	849	6	6	575	592	Edwardsville	148	150	—	—	59
Berwyn	1,092	1,090	2	6	428	428	Lyons	146	146	—	—	64
Rock Island	1,04	1,163	9	3	505	386	Rock Falls	241	235	—	—	53
Champaign	1,201	1,389	1	4	428	395	Edwardsville	123	123	—	—	66
Elgin	1,005	1,006	8	6	459	459	Lyons	171	162	1	1	54
Quincy	723	809	4	2	322	342	Riverside	180	205	1	2	88
Alton	800	734	1	6	343	356	Herrin	129	129	—	—	66
Moline	1,037	1,127	10	5	405	407	St. Charles	161	143	1	1	61
Danville	1,052	1,041	2	7	471	406	St. Charles	214	208	1	1	86
Granite City	516	516	3	3	293	281	Harrisburg					

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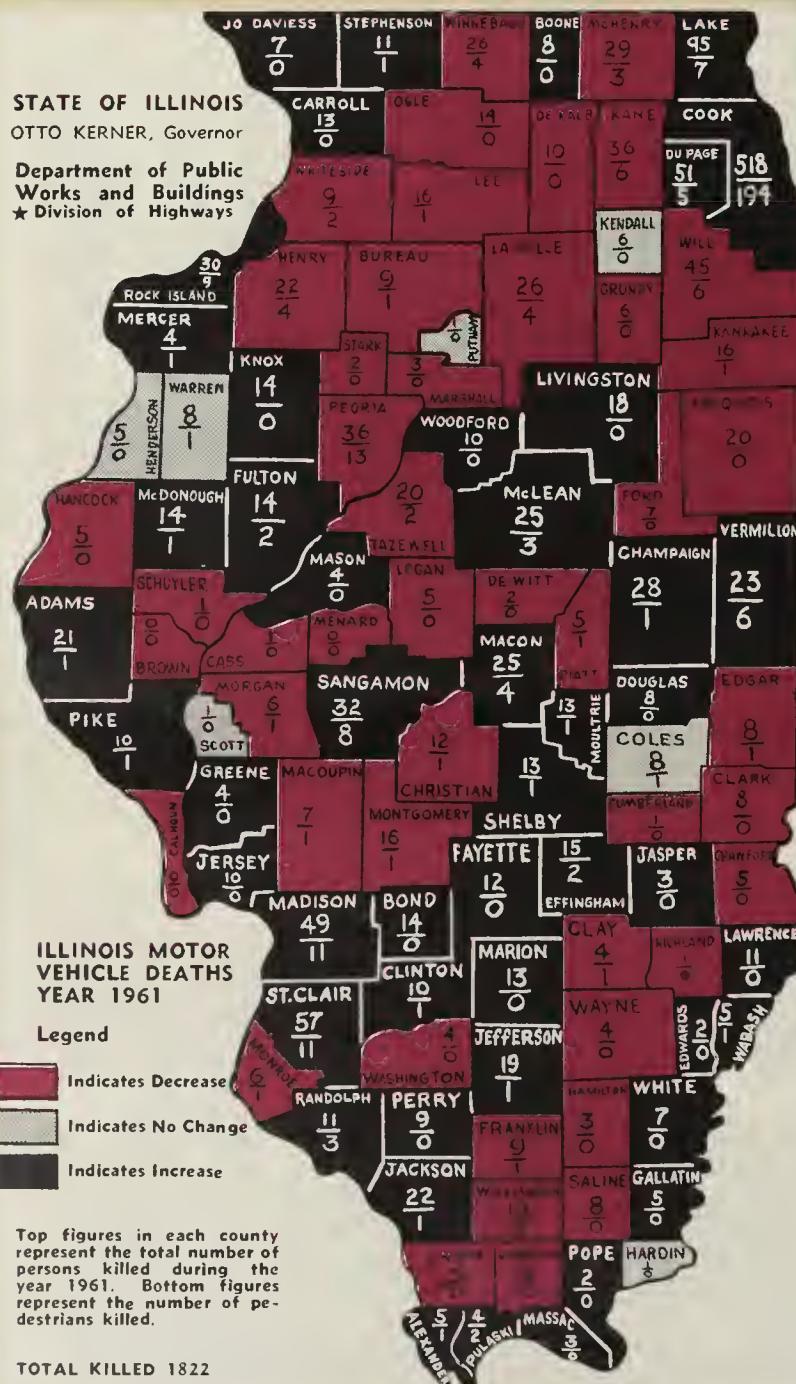
## MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT FACTS

## PERSONS KILLED AND PERSONS INJURED BY AGE AND SEX—1961

Age Group (yrs.)	KILLED				INJURED			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	34	2.6	23	4.7	2833	4.5	2208	4.7
5-9	46	3.5	16	3.3	4061	6.5	2653	5.6
10-14	47	3.5	25	5.1	2964	4.7	2110	4.4
15-19	136	10.2	39	7.9	6989	11.1	5871	12.4
20-24	176	13.2	44	8.9	7686	12.2	5149	10.9
25-34	221	16.6	47	9.6	11991	19.1	7214	15.2
35-44	165	12.4	57	11.6	9798	15.6	7392	15.6
45-54	150	11.3	71	14.4	7318	11.7	6125	12.9
55-64	146	11.0	64	13.0	4554	7.3	3682	7.8
65-74	120	9.0	62	12.6	2216	3.5	1923	4.1
75 and over	89	6.7	44	8.9	706	1.1	572	1.2
Not stated	—	—	—	—	1697	2.7	2481	5.2
Totals	1330	100.0	492	100.0	62813	100.0	47380	100.0

## SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	32044	13.1	175	11.2
Tuesday	28678	11.7	167	10.7
Wednesday	30931	12.7	201	12.8
Thursday	34148	14.0	184	11.8
Friday	38329	15.7	236	15.1
Saturday	46064	18.9	344	22.0
Sunday	33872	13.9	257	16.4
Totals	244066	100.0	1564	100.0



## SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		COUNTY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960		1961	1960	1961	1960	1961	1960
Adams	1,080	1,157	21	12	664	606	Livingston	741	737	18	17	573	454
Alexander	296	261	5	3	171	167	Logan	542	478	5	13	322	314
Bond	218	217	14	6	168	147	McDonough	549	494	14	1	238	239
Boone	324	299	8	7	187	221	McHenry	1,339	1,295	29	37	947	867
Brown	51	93	—	1	28	51	McLean	1,694	1,583	25	22	957	905
Bureau	490	529	9	13	324	291	Macon	1,833	1,994	25	18	1,079	1,103
Calhoun	49	67	—	2	36	36	Macoupin	428	403	7	14	307	311
Carroll	268	300	13	4	179	140	Madison	3,809	3,793	49	46	2,442	2,502
Cass	184	181	1	5	97	73	Marion	648	617	13	9	410	379
Champaign	2,439	2,509	28	18	1,271	1,060	Marshall	150	190	3	7	107	131
Christian	480	461	12	13	269	290	Mason	185	240	4	3	105	127
Clark	199	195	8	13	139	176	Massac	149	122	3	—	91	74
Clay	206	202	4	10	147	146	Menard	97	88	—	1	47	63
Clinton	305	279	10	6	242	215	Mercer	205	200	4	2	139	116
Coles	629	627	8	8	338	392	Monroe	255	234	6	7	234	190
Cook	163,380	157,828	518	505	60,390	58,026	Montgomery	437	377	16	18	348	247
Crawford	207	236	5	8	170	183	Morgan	624	629	6	9	351	315
Cumberland	152	150	1	5	145	156	Moultrie	167	188	13	3	100	106
DeKalb	799	725	10	17	461	375	Ogle	683	651	14	18	436	466
DeWitt	214	254	2	5	135	150	Peoria	3,720	3,784	36	38	1,944	1,916
Douglas	198	237	8	7	155	208	Perry	240	219	9	2	140	169
DuPage	4,950	4,492	51	49	3,373	2,946	Piatt	176	170	5	8	110	89
Edgar	326	323	8	10	213	192	Pike	350	297	10	6	213	195
Edwards	72	67	2	1	52	54	Pope	49	37	2	1	31	34
Effingham	485	462	15	4	354	317	Pulaski	107	92	4	1	89	88
Fayette	287	272	12	2	209	229	Putnam	77	70	1	1	65	54
Ford	240	243	7	8	146	175	Randolph	298	294	11	9	251	216
Franklin	541	465	9	11	339	353	Richland	238	217	1	6	118	115
Fulton	571	564	14	13	336	334	Rock Island	3,284	3,381	30	27	1,630	1,349
Gallatin	96	97	5	3	95	71	St. Clair	4,362	3,984	57	47	2,834	2,768
Greene	217	193	4	2	128	161	Saline	329	309	8	10	214	186
Grundy	315	303	6	10	214	180	Sangamon	2,988	3,115	32	30	1,744	1,536
Hampton	83	86	3	6	60	54	Schuylerville	103	124	1	4	76	88
Hancock	305	280	5	7	167	174	Scott	101	98	1	1	54	55
Hardin	68	61	1	1	59	55	Shelby	218	210	13	4	132	150
Henderson	137	130	5	5	87	82	Stark	74	88	2	7	37	65
Henry	563	543	22	23	389	303	Stephenson	676	728	11	6	345	401
Iroquois	611	520	20	22	486	396	Tazewell	1,772	1,706	20	21	1,148	971
Jackson	638												

### WHEN ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1962

TIME	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THUR.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.	TOTAL
HOUR BEGINNING								
MIDNIGHT	21	13	1	11	14	19	25	104
1:00	8	8	7	5	8	10	35	81
2:00	9	7	3	12	8	20	16	75
3:00	5	4	3	7	5	15	11	50
4:00	7	1	5	2	7	12	21	55
5:00	1	3	1	2	—	10	11	28
6:00	4	7	5	6	12	2	12	48
7:00	11	10	5	14	8	12	2	62
8:00	3	9	9	7	10	18	3	59
9:00	5	6	4	5	12	13	14	59
10:00	11	7	8	8	8	12	17	71
11:00	5	2	4	4	15	10	14	54
NOON	9	3	10	10	8	9	11	60
1:00	5	8	7	12	13	16	16	77
2:00	14	8	9	12	4	22	6	75
3:00	14	16	7	11	22	21	16	107
4:00	21	18	16	9	27	18	14	123
5:00	12	8	15	23	20	22	13	113
6:00	9	6	14	14	25	14	26	108
7:00	11	15	4	8	19	26	25	108
8:00	8	7	11	10	21	12	21	90
9:00	7	10	10	7	24	18	18	94
10:00	6	5	17	13	25	24	16	106
11:00	6	7	7	5	21	19	18	83
NOT STATED	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
TOTALS	212	188	182	217	336	374	381	1,890

### WHY ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1962

#### CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	PER CENT OF TOTAL
SPEED TOO FAST	100	329	429	30.2
FAILED TO YIELD RIGHT OF WAY	158	111	269	19.0
DROVE LEFT OF CENTER	32	189	221	15.6
IMPROPER OVERTAKING	9	70	79	5.6
PASSED STOP SIGN	21	70	91	6.4
DISREGARDED TRAFFIC SIGNAL	26	19	45	3.2
FOLLOWED TOO CLOSELY	2	22	24	1.7
MADE IMPROPER TURN	—	4	4	0.3
OTHER IMPROPER DRIVING	47	44	91	6.4
INADEQUATE BRAKES	4	5	9	0.6
IMPROPER LIGHTS	2	5	7	0.5
HAD BEEN DRINKING	46	103	149	10.5
TOTALS	447	971	1,418	100.0

DEATH RESULTS FROM HUMAN ERROR. For every 10 fatal traffic accidents that occurred, nine could be attributed to some sort of improper driving on the part of one or more drivers involved. Speed too fast, failed to yield right of way, drove left of center, and had been drinking contributed to three fourths of the fatal accidents for which a circumstance could be assigned.

### WHERE ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1962

LOCATION	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	TOTAL* PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT	PEDESTRIANS KILLED	PER CENT
<b>URBAN</b>										
250,000 and over pop.	131,290	52.1	236	14.9	246	13.0	38,327	34.1	123	38.0
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	5,754	2.3	23	1.5	25	1.3	2,751	2.5	12	3.7
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	17,157	6.8	60	3.8	67	3.6	8,590	7.6	21	6.5
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	18,205	7.2	60	3.8	65	3.5	8,694	7.7	24	7.4
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	18,909	7.5	75	4.7	83	4.4	9,658	8.6	25	7.7
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	14,223	5.7	91	5.7	99	5.2	7,247	6.5	32	9.9
Urban Totals	205,538	81.6	545	34.4	585	31.0	75,267	67.0	237	73.2
<b>RURAL</b>										
State Highways	29,013	11.5	706	44.6	907	48.0	25,699	22.9	48	14.8
County and Local Roads	10,399	4.1	230	14.5	281	14.9	7,474	6.7	25	7.7
Below 2,500 pop.	5,840	2.3	85	5.4	99	5.2	3,193	2.8	13	4.0
Tollways	1,232	0.5	17	1.1	18	0.9	677	0.6	1	0.3
Rural Totals	46,484	18.4	1,038	65.6	1,305	69.0	37,043	33.0	87	26.8
Statewide-Totals	252,022	100.0	1,583	100.0	1,890	100.0	112,310	100.0	324	100.0

\* PEDESTRIAN DEATHS INCLUDED

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS AND HIGHWAYS. During 1962, two out of three fatal traffic accidents happened on rural roads and in towns below 2,500 population. Likewise, rural motor vehicle accidents accounted for a fourth of all pedestrians killed. Of all reported accidents, 82 per cent occurred in cities of over 2,500 population. In the case of persons injured, two out of three were as the result of urban traffic mishaps.

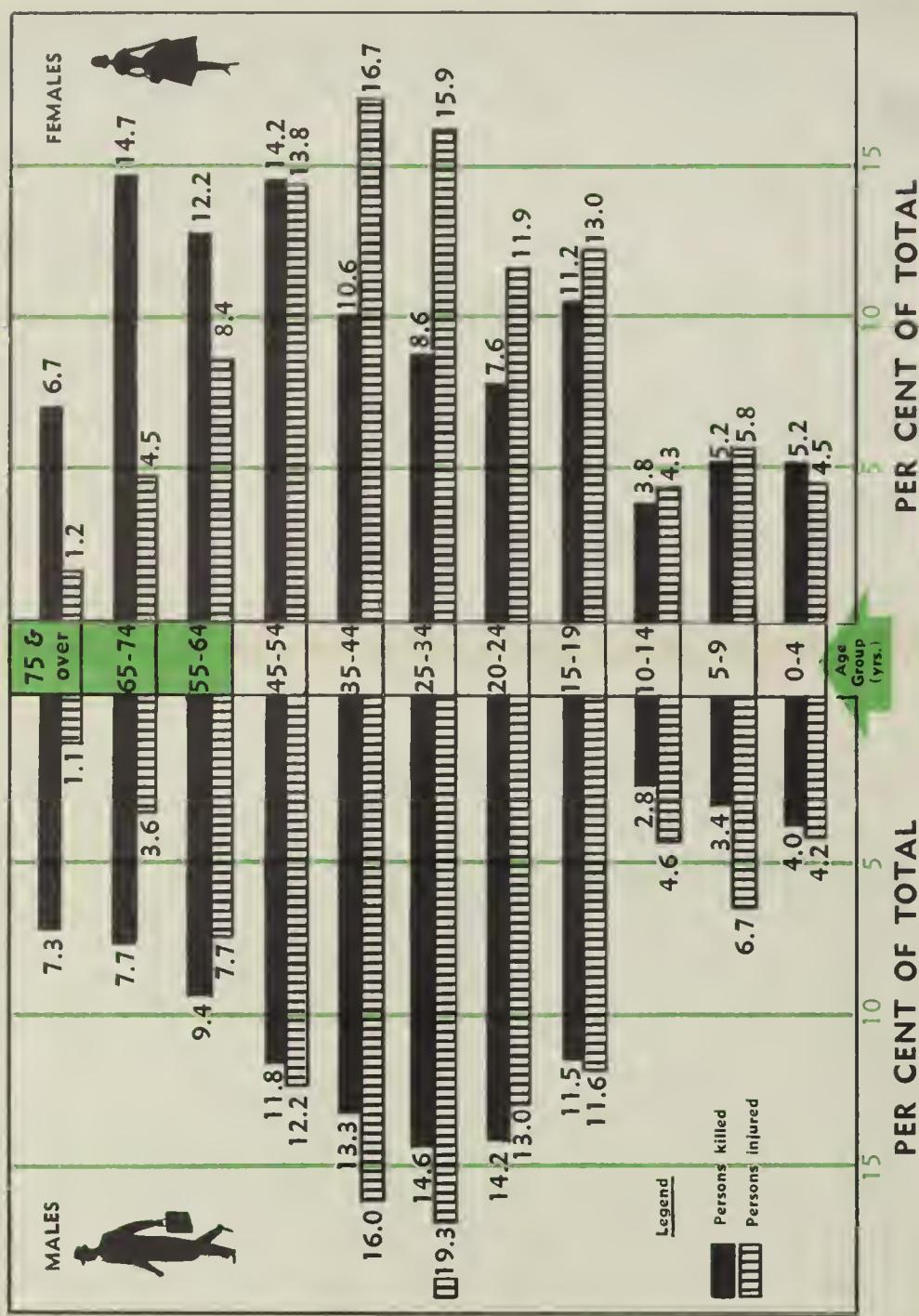
## HOW ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH — 1962

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT
PEDESTRIAN	9,173	3.6	323	20.4	324	17.1	9,175	8.2
OTHER MOTOR VEHICLE	217,589	86.3	680	43.0	899	47.6	87,759	78.1
RAILROAD TRAIN	425	0.2	54	3.4	71	3.8	245	0.2
ANIMAL DRAWN VEHICLE	12	—	—	—	—	—	22	—
BICYCLE	2,071	0.8	23	1.5	23	1.2	1,746	1.6
ANIMAL	731	0.3	2	0.1	2	0.1	179	0.2
FIXED OBJECT	9,002	3.6	210	13.3	241	12.7	4,601	4.1
OTHER OBJECT	923	0.4	5	0.3	5	0.3	316	0.3
OVERTURNED IN ROADWAY	1,307	0.5	46	2.9	55	2.9	1,072	1.0
RAN OFF ROADWAY	9,713	3.9	227	14.3	257	13.6	6,573	5.8
OTHER NON-COLLISION	1,076	0.4	13	0.8	13	0.7	622	0.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>252,022</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,890</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>112,310</b>	<b>100.0</b>

AGE OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS	Age	Number of Drivers in Fatal Accidents	Fatal Accidents Total	Per Cent
15 & UNDER	15 & UNDER	3	4	0.3
16	16	8	25	33
17	17	18	37	55
18-19	18-19	39	107	146
20-24	20-24	112	252	364
25-34	25-34	174	351	525
35-44	35-44	151	325	476
45-54	45-54	123	222	345
55-64	55-64	56	157	213
65-74	65-74	35	108	143
75 & OVER	75 & OVER	10	45	55
Not Stated	Not Stated	43	11	54
<b>TOTAL DRIVERS</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>1,644</b>	<b>2,416</b>	<b>100.0</b>

DEATH USES MANY MEANS. During 1962, collisions of motor vehicles with pedestrians, other motor vehicles, bicycles, animals, and fixed and other objects were responsible for 95 per cent of all and 80 per cent of fatal traffic accidents. Collision of motor vehicle with railroad train while accounting for 0.2 per cent of all traffic accidents represented 3.4 per cent of fatal mishaps making this type of accident a fatal one more often than any other once it occurred. Noncollision accidents represented 5 per cent of all but figured in 18 per cent of fatal traffic accidents.

## PERSONS KILLED AND PERSONS INJURED BY AGE AND SEX — 1962

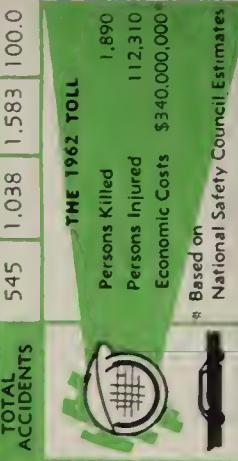


## PER CENT OF TOTAL

Persons less than 55 years of age accounted for three fourths of the male persons killed and two thirds of the female persons killed in traffic accidents. The percentage of persons killed 55 years and older was double that of persons injured of the same age regardless of sex.



## PER CENT OF TOTAL



\* Based on  
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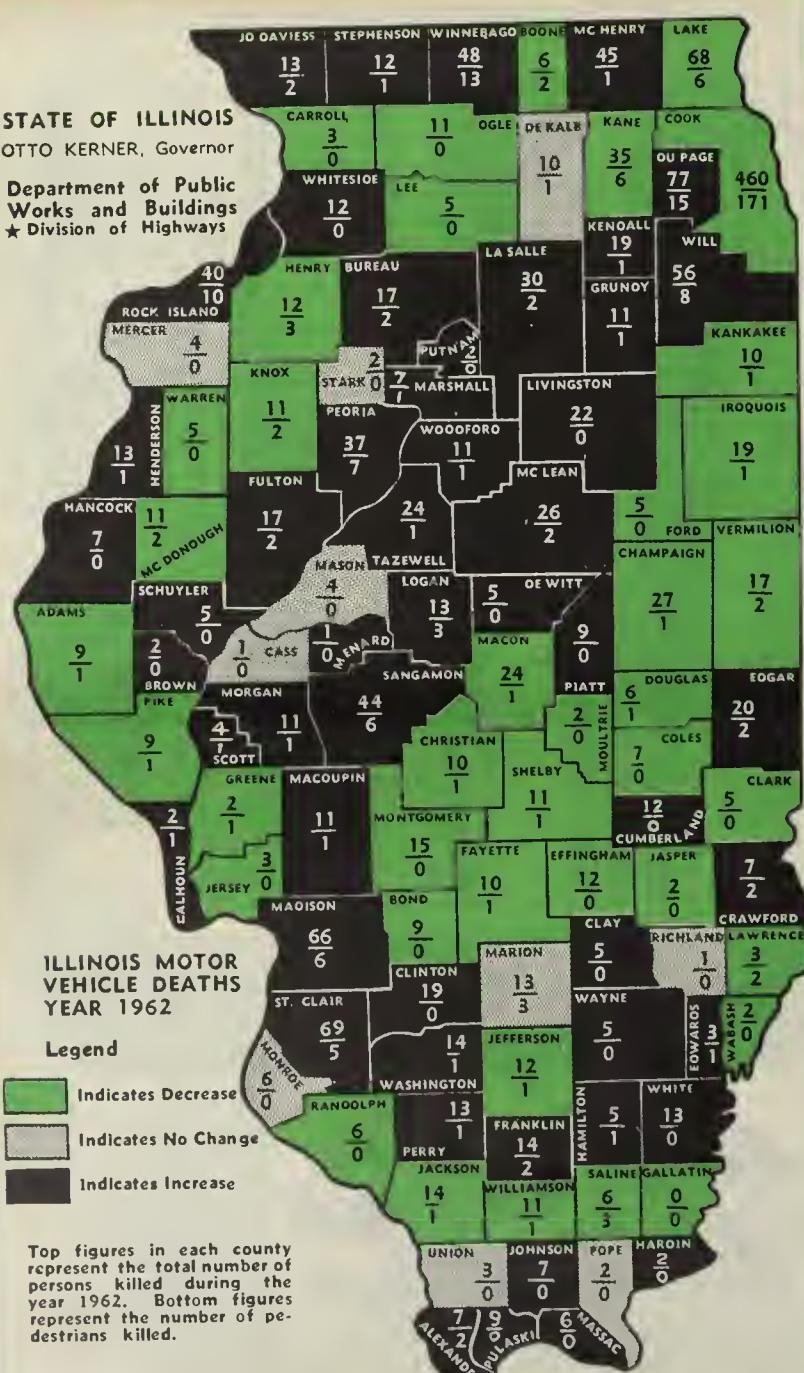
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PERSONS KILLED AND PERSONS INJURED BY AGE AND SEX—1962

Age Group (yrs.)	KILLED				INJURED			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	53	4.0	29	5.2	2,593	4.1	2,087	4.3
5-9	45	3.4	29	5.2	4,132	6.5	2,688	5.5
10-14	37	2.8	21	3.8	2,869	4.5	2,008	4.1
15-19	153	11.5	62	11.2	7,161	11.3	6,010	12.3
20-24	189	14.2	42	7.6	8,012	12.6	5,497	11.3
25-34	195	14.6	48	8.6	11,948	18.8	7,368	15.1
35-44	178	13.3	59	10.6	9,891	15.6	7,737	15.9
45-54	157	11.8	79	14.2	7,526	11.8	6,388	13.1
55-64	126	9.4	68	12.2	4,755	7.5	3,896	8.0
65-74	103	7.7	82	14.7	2,214	3.5	2,067	4.2
75 and over	98	7.3	37	6.7	701	1.1	563	1.2
Not stated	—	—	—	—	1,743	2.7	2,456	5.0
Totals	1,334	100.0	556	100.0	63,545	100.0	48,765	100.0

## SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	34,419	13.7	188	11.9
Tuesday	31,191	12.4	163	10.3
Wednesday	31,037	12.3	155	9.8
Thursday	32,225	12.8	179	11.3
Friday	42,624	16.9	292	18.4
Saturday	44,888	17.8	315	19.9
Sunday	35,638	14.1	291	18.4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>252,022</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,583</b>	<b>100.0</b>



Top figures in each county represent the total number of persons killed during the year 1962. Bottom figures represent the number of pedestrian killed.

**TOTAL KILLED 1890  
(PEDESTRIANS KILLED 324)**

1962 VERSUS 1963

Travel .....	Increase 3
Accident reporting rate .....	Increase 2
Reported accidents .....	Increase 3
Fatalities .....	Increase 4
Travel-death rate .....	Increase 2

ILLINOIS MOTORISTS **Who** MET DEATH IN 1963

**DEATH USES MANY MEANS.**

The single-vehicle accident in which the vehicle ran off the roadway was responsible for 16 per cent of the fatal accidents and 5 per cent of all accidents. Collisions of two or more motor vehicles were responsible for 85 per cent of all traffic accidents and 46 per cent of the persons killed. Persons were killed in every type of accident except in the collision of motor vehicle with animal and other object.

Age Group (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED*				PERSONS INJURED*			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	45	3.1	41	7.0	2,645	3.9	2,162	4.1
5-9	59	4.1	24	4.1	4,169	6.2	2,801	5.3
10-14	35	2.4	21	3.6	2,963	4.4	2,220	4.2
15-19	167	11.6	71	12.1	7,864	11.6	6,511	12.4
20-24	216	15.0	52	8.8	8,832	13.1	6,326	12.1
25-34	201	14.0	47	8.0	12,455	18.4	7,746	14.8
35-44	186	12.9	70	11.9	10,596	15.7	7,940	15.2
45-54	150	10.4	65	11.0	7,907	11.7	6,838	13.1
55-64	152	10.6	77	13.1	5,185	7.7	4,327	8.3
65-74	122	8.5	66	11.2	2,335	3.5	2,192	4.2
75 and over	107	7.4	54	9.2	816	1.2	658	1.3
Not stated	—	—	—	—	1,768	2.6	2,638	5.0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,440</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>588</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>67,535</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>52,359</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\* Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time Hour beginning	Mid	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
	MON.	6	7	8	—	—	5	5	8	—	7	9	3	7	9	4	9	7	14	6	5	13	7	8	9	156
TUES.	6	3	5	3	1	2	8	4	4	5	7	3	8	9	7	9	9	13	11	5	4	6	6	4	4	142
WED.	2	9	3	1	2	3	4	6	12	4	4	7	5	3	8	15	11	10	8	6	5	4	7	5	4	144
THUR.	8	10	1	1	5	1	—	4	2	1	4	6	3	6	2	12	15	8	6	8	4	9	12	11	139	
FRI.	9	12	4	3	2	2	1	5	8	4	7	5	2	11	10	9	10	18	6	17	11	21	10	16	203	
SAT.	20	18	11	16	12	17	15	6	13	6	11	11	7	7	14	11	9	16	13	25	11	21	11	21	322	
SUN.	10	18	21	10	11	9	5	2	5	5	1	10	17	8	8	14	11	18	18	17	14	25	9	12	278	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1384</b>	

RURAL	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
State highways	28,614	11.1	722	42.7	960	47.3	25,754	21.5	49	14.3
Tollways	1,106	0.4	16	1.0	18	0.9	628	0.5	1	0.3
County and local roads	11,258	4.3	267	15.8	314	15.5	8,354	7.0	30	8.8
Below 2,500 pop.	6,419	2.5	81	4.8	92	4.5	3,337	2.8	16	4.7
Rural totals	47,397	18.3	1,086	64.3	1,384	68.2	38,073	31.8	96	28.1
Statewide totals	258,676	100.0	1,689	100.0	2,028	100.0	119,894	100.0	342	100.0

**DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS.** Although only one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1963 occurred in rural locations, two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.



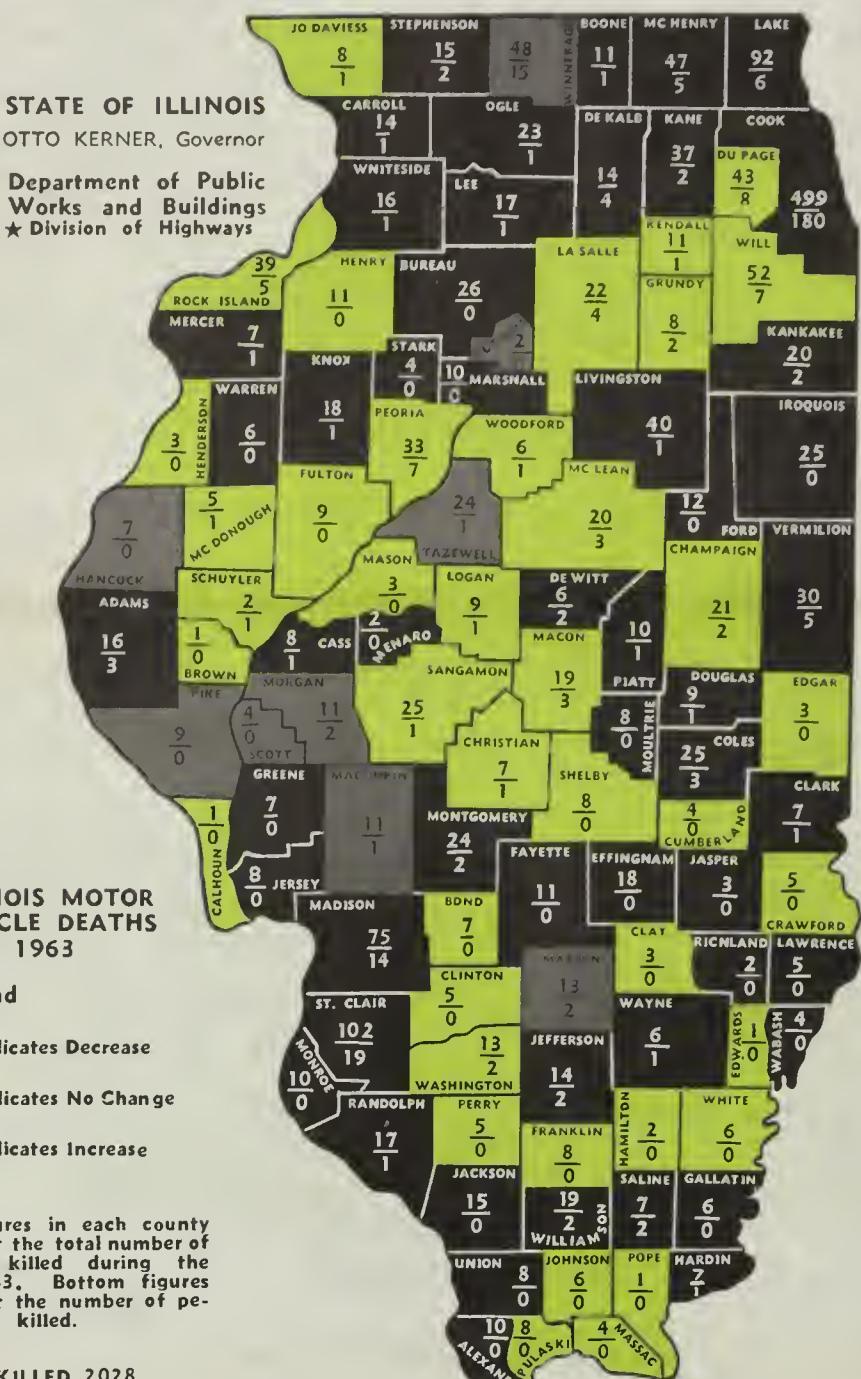
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# Illinois MOTOR VEHICLE DEATHS IN 1963



# Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY CITY

CITY	Having more than 5,000 population					
	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962
Chicago	132,272	131,290	308	246	41,337	38,327
Rockford	3,286	2,822	17	15	1,670	1,409
Peoria	2,882	2,932	9	10	1,396	1,342
Springfield	2,013	1,787	2	17	977	832
East St. Louis	1,686	1,656	28	10	970	833
Evanston	1,579	1,561	4	3	689	727
Decatur	1,628	1,460	7	4	863	731
Cicero	1,461	1,385	3	3	761	645
Joliet	1,706	1,610	4	4	884	811
Aurora	1,736	1,636	7	6	872	740
Oak Park	1,182	1,110	1	2	652	571
Skokie	1,730	1,745	3	6	1,186	1,141
Waukegan	1,015	946	7	2	507	463
Berwyn	1,064	1,039	3	5	656	535
Rock Island	1,306	1,222	9	5	605	561
Champaign	1,355	1,272	1	2	551	462
Elgin	994	968	2	4	405	435
Quincy	810	775	4	1	345	337
Alton	859	835	4	8	480	398
Moline	1,317	1,173	3	10	540	502
Danville	1,246	1,135	3	1	466	483
Granite City	588	537	4	2	311	263
Belleville	818	762	5	2	393	363
Galesburg	640	587	1	2	236	200
Elmhurst	727	640	1	1	381	328
Bloomington	960	860	1	2	396	383
Des Plaines	959	866	5	4	559	528
Chicago Heights	817	843	—	3	444	449
Park Ridge	601	566	3	5	313	318
Park Forest	202	204	—	—	115	130
Harvey	832	803	3	4	466	431
Wilmette	523	570	—	1	230	285
Pekin	448	439	3	4	255	221
Arlington Heights	423	388	—	—	176	174
Kankakee	667	677	1	1	295	285
Oak Lawn	715	702	4	3	435	512
Maywood	580	550	2	1	326	322
Urbana	543	507	—	—	226	159
Freeport	462	413	4	—	214	172
Highland Park	509	585	4	1	253	270
Calumet City	565	548	2	3	251	284
Wheaton	324	285	3	—	146	126
Evergreen Park	402	362	—	1	208	226
Elmwood Park	390	430	1	2	228	243
Lombard	266	199	—	1	135	126
Melrose Park	791	793	5	3	475	472
Rantoul	191	168	—	—	119	86
Jacksonville	339	335	3	4	116	108
Downers Grove	386	368	—	2	204	157
Bellwood	319	346	—	1	165	173
Morton Grove	668	598	6	—	403	431
North Chicago	308	315	5	1	131	109
Brookfield	238	223	1	3	100	98
Niles	773	654	2	3	566	447
Villa Park	337	305	—	—	217	182
Blue Island	464	428	5	—	271	221
Dixon	260	262	1	1	107	82
Ottawa	371	276	2	1	136	109
Mattoon	334	304	1	1	136	115
Mount Prospect	468	403	—	1	289	235
Dolton	257	250	1	—	137	119
DeKalb	316	243	1	1	119	67
Franklin Park	615	587	3	2	370	287
Glenview	317	330	—	—	146	147
Lansing	248	226	1	3	119	85
Westchester	170	179	1	—	101	93
Carpentersville	115	108	1	—	80	65
Lincoln	266	201	—	2	128	56
Streator	223	250	1	2	105	108
East Moline	439	350	5	3	203	159
Kewanee	170	131	—	1	59	41
Glen Ellyn	252	239	3	—	152	115
Cahokia	111	93	—	1	79	78
Sterling	402	370	—	—	171	168
Mount Vernon	356	323	1	3	165	122
LaGrange	368	381	1	2	164	186
Carbondale	291	236	—	—	98	84
Forest Park	349	302	—	—	193	158
Collinsville	186	191	—	2	93	120
Norridge	178	140	1	1	114	83
Centralia	241	234	1	1	100	113
LaGrange Park	154	144	2	—	82	83
Canton	201	172	2	—	91	56
Homewood	257	239	—	1	133	123
Winnetka	294	312	—	2	130	125
Normal	203	173	—	—	113	85
Naperville	156	139	—	1	77	74
Hinsdale	235	265	—	2	122	112
Centreville	71	81	2	3	43	59
River Forest	323	315	3	1	180	168
Northlake	204	217	—	—	129	137
East Peoria	425	395	1	4	239	214
Macomb	262	199	2	1	99	67
Riverdale	226	215	1	—	128	134
Zion	165	151	—	1	112	89
LaSalle	179	187	2	—	84	73
Deerfield	195	163	—	—	95	75
Lincolnwood	429	414	—	—	290	301
Markham	132	116	3	111	101	101

\* Accidents occurring on controlled access routes within urban areas are not included in the city totals except those in Chicago.

## 10 Year Trends IN TRAFFIC - ILLINOIS \*

MILLIONS OF VEHICLES REGISTERED										
UP 33%	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	3.11	3.30	3.44	3.53	3.61	3.72	3.82	3.89	4.01	4.13
MILLIONS OF LICENSED DRIVERS										
UP 19%	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	4.10	4.23	4.49	4.59	4.52	4.63	4.64	4.70	4.73	4.87
BILLIONS OF MILES										
UP 34%	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963
	29.86</									

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ed in order of size (1960 census).

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1963	1962	1963	1962	1963	1962
Wood River	217	204	—	—	112	135
Northbrook	187	184	2	2	123	123
Palatine	221	190	1	—	125	102
Marion	177	169	1	1	67	95
Elmhurst	146	135	1	1	62	67
Rolling Meadows	82	62	—	—	55	38
Western Springs	138	127	—	—	55	51
Lake Forest	201	242	—	1	128	139
Skokie	109	118	—	1	61	53
Charleston	131	113	1	—	52	58
Enon	119	151	—	—	48	53
Waukegan	148	118	1	—	78	49
South Holland	157	167	—	—	109	101
Waukegan	304	275	1	6	169	172
Monmouth	206	159	—	—	100	64
Rock Falls	190	180	2	—	76	79
Edwardsville	136	128	—	—	56	59
Waukegan	254	283	2	2	127	181
Waukegan	196	181	—	6	89	67
Waukegan	175	215	1	1	97	105
Waukegan	134	109	—	—	68	45
Waukegan	153	144	—	1	61	70
Waukegan	240	212	2	1	132	95
Waukegan	100	127	—	2	19	39
Waukegan	222	224	2	1	187	135
Waukegan	200	179	2	1	131	102
Waukegan	156	126	1	1	93	73
Waukegan	106	99	1	1	42	36
Waukegan	175	159	—	1	85	65
Waukegan	170	146	—	—	76	57
Waukegan	139	128	1	—	71	53
Waukegan	119	116	—	—	40	50
Waukegan	180	170	—	—	87	90
Waukegan	148	121	—	—	69	44
Waukegan	312	332	1	—	203	212
Waukegan	133	119	—	1	69	65
Waukegan	154	129	—	—	39	42
Waukegan	128	119	1	—	87	46
Waukegan	84	91	3	—	53	59
Waukegan	143	149	9	—	62	72
Waukegan	106	107	—	—	40	67
Waukegan	162	119	—	1	108	74
Waukegan	127	118	2	3	51	41
Waukegan	219	170	—	—	145	124
Waukegan	198	186	1	—	93	76
Waukegan	207	192	1	—	115	102
Waukegan	128	120	1	4	68	56
Waukegan	32	38	—	1	34	15
Waukegan	78	61	—	—	44	32
Waukegan	87	82	2	1	27	39
Waukegan	73	78	—	1	62	54
Waukegan	137	125	1	1	57	67
Waukegan	95	102	1	—	30	34
Waukegan	58	60	—	—	23	32
Waukegan	149	171	1	1	110	169
Waukegan	94	75	1	—	52	38
Waukegan	89	95	1	—	40	51
Waukegan	96	70	—	—	34	40
Waukegan	131	91	1	—	93	51
Waukegan	74	70	2	2	45	41
Waukegan	131	125	—	—	58	44
Waukegan	133	108	1	—	65	33
Waukegan	128	98	1	—	54	30
Waukegan	129	113	1	—	44	44
Waukegan	101	65	—	—	48	30
Waukegan	201	144	—	3	143	82
Waukegan	66	80	—	—	51	36
Waukegan	84	86	1	2	73	42
Waukegan	85	78	—	1	47	25
Waukegan	82	75	—	—	40	29
Waukegan	35	43	1	—	12	29
Waukegan	67	47	—	—	21	23
Waukegan	88	59	—	—	40	17
Waukegan	70	65	—	—	40	33
Waukegan	48	69	—	—	19	37
Waukegan	80	83	—	—	25	34
Waukegan	80	61	—	—	28	19
Waukegan	105	64	—	—	38	24
Waukegan	98	87	—	2	67	57
Waukegan	78	69	—	—	43	35
Waukegan	112	100	1	1	33	41
Waukegan	66	91	—	—	23	26
Waukegan	91	81	—	—	48	25
Waukegan	80	82	—	1	27	38
Waukegan	41	48	—	—	24	15
Waukegan	49	44	1	2	36	31
Waukegan	62	66	—	1	51	37
Waukegan	60	56	—	—	31	33
Waukegan	104	120	—	—	90	87
Waukegan	94	101	1	1	67	74
Waukegan	245	213	—	3	171	180
Waukegan	109	110	—	—	64	36
Waukegan	92	65	—	—	30	27
Waukegan	51	43	—	—	19	26
Waukegan	123	117	—	1	50	61
Waukegan	49	91	3	1	54	44
Waukegan	97	59	—	1	36	33
Waukegan	89	71	—	—	38	30
Waukegan	70	71	—	—	38	30
Waukegan	69	80	1	—	31	30
Waukegan	90	69	1	—	37	19
Waukegan	62	46	1	—	18	13
Waukegan	32	17	—	—	20	9

## Light CONDITIONS

ACCIDENTS	Number of Fatal Accidents				
	LIGHT CONDITION	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	
PER CENT		URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL	
0.4	Daylight	255	492	747	44.2
1.7	Dusk or dawn	25	65	90	5.3
2.3	Darkness	323	529	852	50.5
6.8					
17.9					
19.9					
18.0					
14.4					
9.9					
5.4					
2.0					
1.3					
100.0	Total accidents	603	1,086	1,689	100.0

## THE 1963 TOLL

Persons killed..... 2,028  
 Persons injured..... 119,894  
 Economic costs..... \$365,000,000\*

\*Based on National Safety Council estimates.

## Fatalities BY MONTH

Jan.	111
Feb.	125
Mar.	145
Apr.	138
May	175
June	201
July	174
Aug.	173
Sept.	206
Oct.	220
Nov.	191
Dec.	169



## How ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1963

Collision of Motor Vehicle with

Type of Accident	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent
Ran off roadway	11,814	4.6	276	16.3	314	15.5	8,094	6.8
Overturned in roadway	864	0.3	24	1.4	26	1.3	764	0.6
Pedestrian	9,550	3.7	338	20.0	342	16.9	10,279	8.6
Motor vehicle in traffic	185,978	71.9	675	40.0	900	44.4	87,395	72.9
Parked motor vehicle	34,907	13.5	20	1.2	26	1.3	4,179	3.5
Railroad train	488	0.2	79	4.7	112	5.5	403	0.3
Bicyclist	1,848	0.7	27	1.6	27	1.3	2,093	1.7
Animal	807	0.3	—	—	—	—	216	0.2
Fixed object	9,809	3.8	231	13.7	262	12.9	4,769	4.0
Other object	1,756	0.7	—	—	—	—	979	0.8
Other non-collision	855	0.3	19	1.1	19	0.9	723	0.6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>258,676</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,689</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,028</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>119,894</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## When ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1963

Time Hour beginning	Mid	Total																							
		1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	
MON.	1	7	2	3	—	1	1	2	2	1	4	—	4	1	10	4	4	9	5	4	7	2	6	4	84
TUES.	2	5	3	5	1	3	—	4	1	3	4	—	2	2	7	4	4	8	3	2	—	—	8	2	73
WED.	5	2	—	—	1	—	2	2	1	4	4	3	4	3	1	10	7	4	11	3	3	5	1	2	78
THUR.	1	4	3	1	1	2	—	2	3	3	1	2	2	3	3	3	7	3	2	2	3	3	3	5	62
FRI.	3	2	3	2	1	2	4	1	2	2	2	3	2	2	7	13	6	9	13	16	14	9	6	7	131
SAT.	4	9	11	2	5	5	2	1	3	2	—	3	3	6	4	2	7	7	10	6	4	2	2	3	103
SUN.	9	11	9	9	8	5	2	3	1	1	4	2	1	2	3	4	1	6	4	5	9	3	8	3	113
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>644</b>

## Where ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1963

URBAN	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
250,000 and over pop.	132,272	51.1	295	17.5	308	15.2	41,337	34.5	143	41.8
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	6,168	2.4	26	1.5	26	1.3	3,066	2.5	16	4.7
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	18,106	7.0	72	4.3	78	3.8	9,622	8.0	23	6.7
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	19,160	7.4	57	3.4	60	3.0	9,062	7.6	23	6.7
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	20,343	7.9	76	4.5	80	4.0	10,723	8.9	24	7.0
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	15,230	5.9	77	4.5	92	4.5	8,011	6.7	17	5.0
Urban totals	211,279	81.7	603	35.7	644	31.8	81,821	68.2	246	71.9

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 82 per cent of all accidents and 32 per cent of all traffic fatalities.

## Why ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1963

### CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total	Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total
Speed too fast	135	359	494	29.2	Made improper turn	4	6	10	0.6
Failed to yield right-of-way	229	160	389	23.0	Other improper driving	26	31	57	3.4
Drove left of center	34	195	229	13.6	Inadequate brakes	5	3	8	0.5
Improper overtaking	6	53	59	3.5	Improper lights	2	9	11	0.6
Passed stop sign	15	71	86	5.1	Had been drinking	66	106	172	10.2
Disregarded traffic signal	28	29	57	3.4	No circumstance indicated	47	45	92	5.4
Followed too closely	6	19	25	1.5	Totals	603	1,086	1,689	100.0

HUMAN ERROR SPELLS DEATH. Some sort of improper driving on the part of one or more drivers involved contributed to 95 per cent of all fatal accidents. Speed too fast, failed to yield right-of-way, drove left of center, and had been drinking remain as factors that contributed to three out of four of these fatal mishaps.

1963

CHANGE FROM  
1963 TO 1964

	PERSONS KILLED	ALL ACCIDENTS	PERSONS KILLED
5	314	15.8%	-1.6%
4	26	17.8%	0
0	342	2.8%	2.0%
3	900	6.8%	16.6%
7	26	17.0%	30.8%
3	112	1.8%	-6.3%
8	27	13.7%	-7.4%
7	—	14.9%	—
9	262	8.1%	9.5%
6	—	10.1%	—
5	19	37.7%	-5.3%
6	2,028	8.7%	8.8%

## ILLINOIS MOTORISTS Who MET DEATH IN 1964

Age Group (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED *				PERSONS INJURED *			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	43	2.8	37	5.4	2,964	3.9	2,360	4.0
5-9	69	4.6	40	5.8	4,552	6.1	3,128	5.3
10-14	39	2.6	23	3.3	3,429	4.6	2,670	4.5
15-19	161	10.6	86	12.4	9,464	12.6	7,768	13.2
20-24	200	13.2	65	9.4	10,182	13.5	7,217	12.2
25-34	239	15.8	74	10.7	13,556	18.0	8,582	14.6
35-44	213	14.1	86	12.4	11,366	15.1	8,723	14.8
45-54	169	11.1	76	11.0	8,635	11.5	7,700	13.1
55-64	149	9.8	73	10.6	5,687	7.6	4,770	8.1
65-74	135	8.9	77	11.2	2,518	3.3	2,317	3.9
75 and over	96	6.3	54	7.8	839	1.1	783	1.3
Not stated	3	0.2	—	—	2,024	2.7	2,929	5.0
Totals	1,516	100.0	691	100.0	75,216	100.0	58,947	100.0

\* Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time Hour beginning	Mid- night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
RURAL	MON.	4	3	2	2	2	12	7	10	1	9	4	3	3	3	8	7	14	3	6	10	10	4	8	137	
	TUES.	5	2	5	4	5	4	1	3	4	5	6	7	4	2	9	9	19	11	7	8	16	5	3	3	147
	WED.	5	1	5	3	3	1	1	5	3	6	4	1	7	4	3	2	17	12	8	12	4	10	15	8	140
	THUR.	4	9	1	1	2	2	10	12	8	7	2	9	9	5	5	12	10	11	5	14	9	10	16	3	176
	FRI.	7	8	7	3	4	2	10	8	6	5	8	15	9	8	11	13	15	12	15	21	15	15	14	24	255
	SAT.	26	20	14	8	11	5	12	7	9	14	9	15	12	17	13	18	9	23	12	22	15	15	11	18	335
	SUN.	21	17	19	16	4	4	4	2	2	3	8	9	12	10	14	12	14	25	22	19	18	13	11	15	294
	TOTAL	72	60	53	37	31	20	50	44	42	41	46	60	56	49	58	74	91	108	72	102	87	78	74	79	1484

RURAL	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
State highways	31,445	11.2	811	43.9	1,039	47.1	28,232	21.0	61	17.5
Tollways	1,115	0.4	18	1.0	22	1.0	609	0.5	—	—
County and local roads	11,560	4.1	260	14.1	326	14.8	8,884	6.6	20	5.7
Below 2,500 pop.	7,390	2.6	84	4.6	97	4.4	4,118	3.1	16	4.6
Rural totals	51,510	18.3	1,173	63.6	1,484	67.3	41,843	31.2	97	27.8
Statewide totals	281,164	100.0	1,846	100.0	2,207	100.0	134,163	100.0	349	100.0

DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS. Although less than one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1964 occurred in rural locations, nearly two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.

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ILLINOIS MOTOR  
VEHICLE DEATHS  
YEAR 1964

## LEGEND

- Indicates Decrease
- Indicates No Change
- Indicates Increase

Top figures in each county represent the total number of persons killed during the year 1964. Bottom figures represent the number of pedestrians killed.

TOTAL KILLED 2,207  
(PEDESTRIANS KILLED 349)

## 10 Year Trends IN TRAFFIC - ILLINOIS \*

### MILLIONS OF VEHICLES REGISTERED

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
3.30	3.44	3.53	3.61	3.72	3.82	3.89	4.01	4.13	4.29

### MILLIONS OF LICENSED DRIVERS

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
4.23	4.49	4.59	4.52	4.63	4.64	4.70	4.73	4.87	5.44

### BILLIONS OF MILES

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
32.19	32.89	33.97	34.96	35.58	36.51	37.65	38.74	40.09	42.52

### HUNDREDS OF DEATHS

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
21.95	21.35	20.96	18.86	17.95	17.25	18.22	18.90	20.28	22.07

### THOUSANDS OF INJURIES

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
82.05	86.65	91.69	98.04	102.31	104.83	110.19	112.31	119.89	134.16

### THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
136.97	141.15	147.19	207.23	217.49	236.98	244.07	252.02	258.68	281.16

### DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
6.7	6.5	6.2	5.4	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2

### AVERAGE NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR EACH DAY OF HOLIDAYS

1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
10.2	10.9	7.4	7.4	8.9	6.0	6.9	7.0	6.9	10.0

\* 1964 COMPARED WITH 1955

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY

Having more than 5,000 population

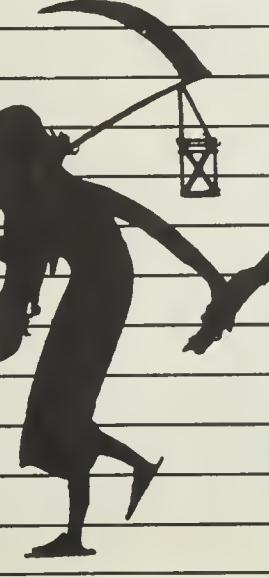
CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963
Chicago	136,939	132,272	278	308	43,948	41,337
Rockford	3,797	3,286	12	17	1,783	1,670
Peoria	3,311	2,882	13	9	1,560	1,396
Springfield	2,651	2,013	7	2	1,241	977
East St. Louis	1,848	1,686	31	28	1,149	970
Evanston	1,726	1,579	7	4	794	689
Decatur	2,152	1,628	4	7	1,152	863
Cicero	1,484	1,461	12	3	717	761
Joliet	2,004	1,706	6	4	1,116	884
Aurora	1,843	1,736	6	7	992	872
Oak Park	1,368	1,182	3	1	733	652
Skokie	2,119	1,730	5	3	1,358	1,186
Waukegan	1,123	1,015	8	7	629	507
Berwyn	1,119	1,064	2	3	610	656
Rock Island	1,694	1,306	9	9	676	605
Champaign	1,546	1,355	2	1	631	551
Elgin	1,197	994	4	2	516	405
Quincy	924	810	8	4	467	345
Alton	951	859	1	4	491	480
Moline	1,699	1,317	5	3	674	540
Danville	1,418	1,246	6	3	613	466
Granite City	757	588	3	4	444	311
Belleville	1,010	818	3	5	515	393
Galesburg	767	640	4	1	320	236
Elmhurst	1,029	727	3	1	606	381
Bloomington	1,052	960	2	1	531	396
Des Plaines	1,203	959	8	5	696	559
Chicago Heights	851	817	5	—	512	444
Park Ridge	647	601	3	3	339	313
Park Forest	248	202	2	—	134	115
Harvey	1,003	832	2	3	614	466
Wilmette	616	523	1	—	341	230
Pekin	565	448	3	3	294	255
Arlington Heights	503	423	3	—	286	176
Kankakee	854	667	3	1	406	295
Oak Lawn	776	715	3	4	509	435
Maywood	621	580	3	2	347	326
Urbana	669	543	3	—	244	226
Freeport	457	462	4	—	202	214
Highland Park	591	509	1	4	341	253
Calumet City	762	565	3	2	448	351
Wheaton	363	324	1	3	201	146
Evergreen Park	397	402	4	—	227	208
Elmwood Park	444	390	3	1	251	228
Lombard	346	266	—	—	202	135
Melrose Park	817	791	3	5	468	472
Rantoul	214	191	2	—	115	119
Jacksonville	433	339	2	3	222	116
Downers Grove	438	386	2	—	262	204
Bellwood	397	319</				

in order of size (1960 census).

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1964	1963	1964	1963	1964	1963
Ill River	279	217	3	—	170	112
Albion	203	187	1	2	106	123
Alton	270	221	5	1	167	125
Alvinston	183	177	—	1	91	67
Alvinston	157	146	—	1	80	62
Alvinston	70	82	2	—	34	55
Alvinston	145	138	—	—	43	55
Alvinston	306	201	4	—	148	128
Alvinston	126	109	2	—	77	61
Alvinston	172	131	1	1	82	52
Alvinston	143	119	1	—	75	48
Alvinston	122	148	—	1	74	78
Alvinston	190	157	2	—	104	109
Alvinston	315	304	1	1	179	169
Alvinston	208	206	—	—	87	100
Alvinston	174	190	1	2	86	76
Alvinston	173	136	1	—	75	56
Alvinston	320	254	4	2	164	127
Alvinston	220	196	—	—	106	89
Alvinston	207	175	1	1	102	97
Alvinston	191	134	1	—	124	68
Alvinston	175	153	1	—	76	61
Alvinston	254	240	1	2	107	132
Alvinston	150	100	1	—	52	19
Alvinston	320	222	—	2	194	187
Alvinston	276	200	2	2	144	131
Alvinston	175	156	—	1	78	93
Alvinston	147	106	—	1	77	42
Alvinston	180	175	—	—	69	85
Alvinston	167	170	1	—	90	76
Alvinston	165	139	3	1	89	71
Alvinston	147	119	1	—	54	40
Alvinston	197	180	1	—	122	87
Alvinston	153	148	—	—	71	69
Alvinston	362	312	8	1	230	203
Alvinston	130	133	4	—	87	69
Alvinston	129	154	—	—	49	39
Alvinston	152	128	—	1	80	87
Alvinston	106	84	2	3	61	53
Alvinston	152	143	—	9	70	62
Alvinston	147	106	1	—	93	40
Alvinston	175	162	—	—	103	108
Alvinston	136	127	—	2	78	51
Alvinston	239	219	—	—	141	145
Alvinston	245	198	—	1	119	93
Alvinston	255	207	4	1	158	115
Alvinston	216	128	—	1	139	68
Alvinston	71	32	—	—	29	34
Alvinston	68	78	—	—	30	44
Alvinston	124	87	2	2	49	27
Alvinston	79	73	—	—	40	62
Alvinston	170	137	—	1	76	57
Alvinston	115	95	—	1	38	30
Alvinston	65	58	1	—	40	23
Alvinston	192	149	—	1	161	110
Alvinston	91	94	1	1	26	52
Alvinston	113	89	1	1	50	40
Alvinston	108	96	1	—	54	34
Alvinston	157	131	1	1	114	93
Alvinston	71	74	1	2	39	45
Alvinston	114	131	1	—	51	58
Alvinston	125	133	—	1	34	65
Alvinston	122	128	—	1	35	54
Alvinston	142	129	2	1	58	44
Alvinston	317	201	1	—	229	143
Alvinston	85	66	3	—	53	51
Alvinston	148	84	2	1	81	73
Alvinston	96	85	2	—	35	47
Alvinston	132	82	1	—	78	40
Alvinston	34	35	2	1	27	12
Alvinston	75	67	—	—	31	21
Alvinston	97	88	—	—	38	40
Alvinston	73	70	1	—	29	40
Alvinston	66	48	—	—	26	19
Alvinston	111	80	—	—	38	25
Alvinston	68	80	—	—	20	28
Alvinston	102	105	2	—	38	38
Alvinston	141	98	—	—	103	67
Alvinston	76	78	—	—	53	43
Alvinston	101	112	—	1	46	33
Alvinston	83	66	—	—	38	23
Alvinston	102	91	1	—	44	48
Alvinston	101	80	1	—	56	27
Alvinston	72	41	—	—	34	24
Alvinston	74	49	1	1	51	36
Alvinston	75	62	—	—	64	51
Alvinston	65	60	—	—	50	31
Alvinston	132	104	1	—	101	90
Alvinston	150	94	1	1	71	67
Alvinston	381	245	2	—	247	171
Alvinston	110	109	2	—	68	64
Alvinston	88	92	—	—	30	30
Alvinston	65	51	—	—	30	19
Alvinston	159	123	1	—	61	50
Alvinston	99	97	2	3	80	54
Alvinston	85	89	1	—	31	36
Alvinston	72	70	—	—	27	38
Alvinston	115	69	1	1	43	31
Alvinston	81	90	1	1	39	37
Alvinston	61	62	—	1	17	18
Alvinston	43	32	1	—	31	20

## Fatalities BY MONTH

Jan.	187
Feb.	144
Mar.	132
Apr.	144
May	179
June	174
July	212
Aug.	210
Sept.	192
Oct.	216
Nov.	183
Dec.	234



## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	37,126	13.2	200	10.8
Tuesday	33,546	11.9	191	10.3
Wednesday	34,512	12.3	190	10.3
Thursday	37,819	13.4	236	12.8
Friday	48,927	17.4	294	15.9
Saturday	49,680	17.7	398	21.6
Sunday	39,554	14.1	337	18.3
Totals	281,164	100.0	1,846	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS		PERSONS KILLED		
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# How Illinois Motorists Met Death in 1964

Collision of Motor Vehicle with—

Type of Accident	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	All Accidents
Ran off road	13,678	4.9	271	14.7	309	14.0	9,505	7.1	11,8
Overturned in road	1,018	0.4	24	1.3	26	1.2	873	0.7	8
Pedestrian	9,813	3.5	344	18.6	349	15.8	10,194	7.6	9,5
Motor vehicle in traffic	198,560	70.6	799	43.3	1,049	47.5	98,525	73.4	185,9
Parked motor vehicle	40,851	14.5	31	1.7	34	1.6	4,732	3.5	34,9
Railroad train	497	0.2	81	4.4	105	4.8	332	0.2	4
Bicyclist	2,102	0.7	25	1.3	25	1.1	2,285	1.7	1,8
Animal	927	0.3	2	0.1	2	0.1	232	0.2	8
Fixed object	10,607	3.8	248	13.4	287	13.0	5,570	4.2	9,8
Other object	1,934	0.7	3	0.2	3	0.1	990	0.7	1,7
Other non-collision	1,177	0.4	18	1.0	18	0.8	925	0.7	8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>281,164</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,846</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,207</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>134,163</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>258,6</b>

# When Illinois Motorists Met Death in 1964

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
URBAN	MON.	4	5	6	1	2	2	—	1	2	2	3	5	2	3	6	11	8	4	4	6	1	6	4	2	90
	TUES.	1	3	4	1	1	4	3	—	2	3	1	3	6	3	6	1	6	2	5	4	2	2	1	5	69
	WED.	4	3	1	3	3	1	5	2	2	—	1	3	2	2	4	9	5	7	5	2	3	5	5	3	80
	THUR.	7	3	3	4	1	1	3	1	3	6	6	2	6	5	5	4	4	9	7	3	5	1	7	6	102
	FRI.	2	4	3	6	3	—	2	1	1	2	2	1	2	2	3	5	9	10	5	4	6	8	5	8	94
	SAT.	10	7	7	14	5	6	2	2	3	4	2	4	4	4	7	7	9	4	10	5	4	8	5	7	152
	SUN.	8	10	11	7	6	5	2	2	—	2	4	3	4	4	4	9	8	9	5	10	7	6	7	3	136
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>723</b>

# Where Illinois Motorists Met Death in 1964

URBAN	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
250,000 and over pop.	136,939	48.7	263	14.3	278	12.6	43,948	32.8	133	38.1
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	7,108	2.5	21	1.1	25	1.1	3,343	2.5	9	2.6
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	21,131	7.5	93	5.0	100	4.5	11,167	8.3	28	8.0
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	22,716	8.1	81	4.4	84	3.8	11,521	8.6	26	7.4
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	23,481	8.4	89	4.8	97	4.4	12,618	9.4	24	6.9
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	18,279	6.5	126	6.8	139	6.3	9,723	7.2	32	9.2
Urban totals	229,654	81.7	673	36.4	723	32.7	92,320	68.8	252	72.2

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 82 per cent of all accidents and 33 per cent of all traffic fatalities.

# Why Illinois Motorists Met Death in 1964

## CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total	Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total
Speed too fast	149	345	494	26.8	Made improper turn	2	2	4	0.2
Failed to yield right-of-way	212	180	392	21.2	Other improper driving	30	43	73	4.0
Drove left of center	54	231	285	15.4	Inadequate brakes	2	1	3	0.2
Improper overtaking	6	68	74	4.0	Improper lights	—	6	6	0.3
Passed stop sign	25	102	127	6.9	Had been drinking	80	114	194	10.5
Disregarded traffic signal	48	26	74	4.0	No circumstance indicated	56	35	91	4.9
Followed too closely	9	20	29	1.6	Totals	673	1,173	1,846	100.0

HUMAN ERROR SPELLS DEATH. Some sort of improper driving on the part of one or more drivers involved contributed to 95 per cent of all fatal accidents. Speed too fast, failed to yield right-of-way, drove left of center, and had been drinking remain as factors that contributed to nearly three out of four of these fatal mishaps.

DOCUMENTS ROOM  
STATE DOCUMENTS

1964

CHANGE FROM  
1964 TO 1965  
(Per Cent)

ENTS	PERSONS KILLED	ALL ACCIDENTS	PERSONS KILLED
8	309	20.5	14.9
8	26	2.8	19.2
3	349	9.9	-2.0
0	1,049	13.9	-1.0
1	34	18.3	-41.2
7	105	22.7	25.7
2	25	5.1	20.0
7	2	35.0	-50.0
7	287	28.7	-0.7
4	3	5.8	—
7	18	21.5	5.6
4	2,207	15.3	2.2

ILLINOIS MOTORISTS Who MET DEATH IN 1965

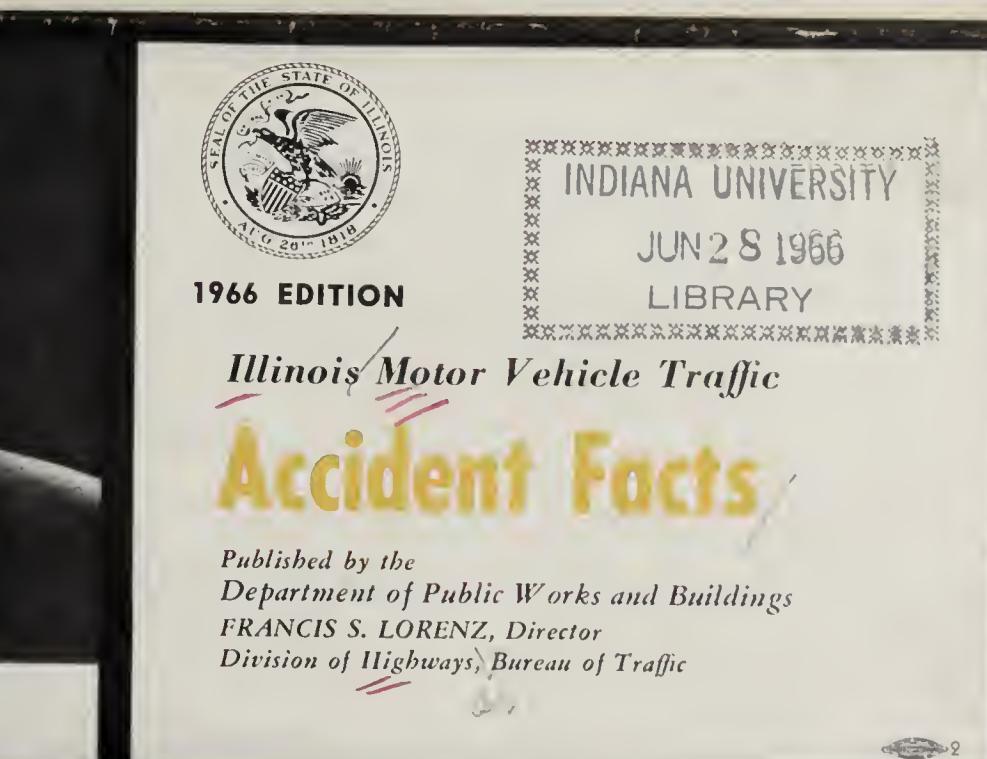
Age Group (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED *				PERSONS INJURED *			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	34	2.1	30	4.6	2,923	3.6	2,424	3.8
5-9	59	3.7	26	4.0	4,870	6.0	3,357	5.3
10-14	41	2.6	17	2.6	3,720	4.5	2,802	4.4
15-19	230	14.4	86	13.1	11,696	14.3	8,759	13.7
20-24	242	15.1	55	8.4	11,493	14.1	7,961	12.5
25-34	233	14.5	79	12.1	14,589	17.8	9,364	14.7
35-44	197	12.3	74	11.3	11,749	14.4	9,262	14.5
45-54	168	10.5	78	11.9	9,088	11.1	8,081	12.7
55-64	161	10.0	70	10.7	5,891	7.2	5,153	8.1
65-74	138	8.6	83	12.7	2,765	3.4	2,647	4.1
75 and over	97	6.1	54	8.3	940	1.1	871	1.4
Not stated	2	0.1	2	0.3	2,049	2.5	3,090	4.8
Totals	1,602	100.0	654	100.0	81,773	100.0	63,771	100.0

\* Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
RURAL	Mon.	17	7	3	6	2	3	7	7	4	3	4	1	6	8	7	6	6	9	10	10	5	5	7	8	151
	Tues.	7	4	5	2	5	5	9	4	4	7	14	8	4	10	14	9	14	16	10	9	4	13	9	5	191
	Wed.	5	9	1	7	4	5	4	5	3	6	10	2	9	8	4	5	14	7	7	5	4	7	5	5	141
	Thur.	2	4	1	1	3	3	7	6	5	9	2	8	5	6	5	14	9	10	8	7	3	14	15	6	153
	Fri.	10	9	6	3	6	1	4	12	5	7	13	15	8	12	16	16	14	19	17	13	14	16	15	22	273
	Sat.	20	17	13	8	15	11	10	14	2	8	18	10	13	9	6	8	13	14	20	24	12	17	13	22	317
	Sun.	26	32	21	10	6	6	6	1	5	8	12	3	12	9	20	19	15	14	8	21	17	8	8	17	304
	Totals	87	82	50	37	41	34	47	49	28	48	73	47	57	62	72	77	85	89	80	89	59	80	72	85	1530

RURAL	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
State highways	34,419	10.6	825	43.4	1,042	46.2	29,833	20.5	49	14.3
Tollways	1,409	0.5	14	0.7	16	0.7	689	0.5	0	—
County and local roads	13,344	4.1	308	16.2	373	16.5	9,502	6.5	28	8.2
Below 2,500 pop.	9,034	2.8	89	4.7	99	4.4	4,758	3.3	13	3.8
Rural totals	58,206	18.0	1,236	65.0	1,530	67.8	44,782	30.8	90	26.3
Statewide totals	324,072	100.0	1,903	100.0	2,256	100.0	145,544	100.0	342	100.0

DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS. Although less than one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1965 occurred in rural locations, nearly two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.

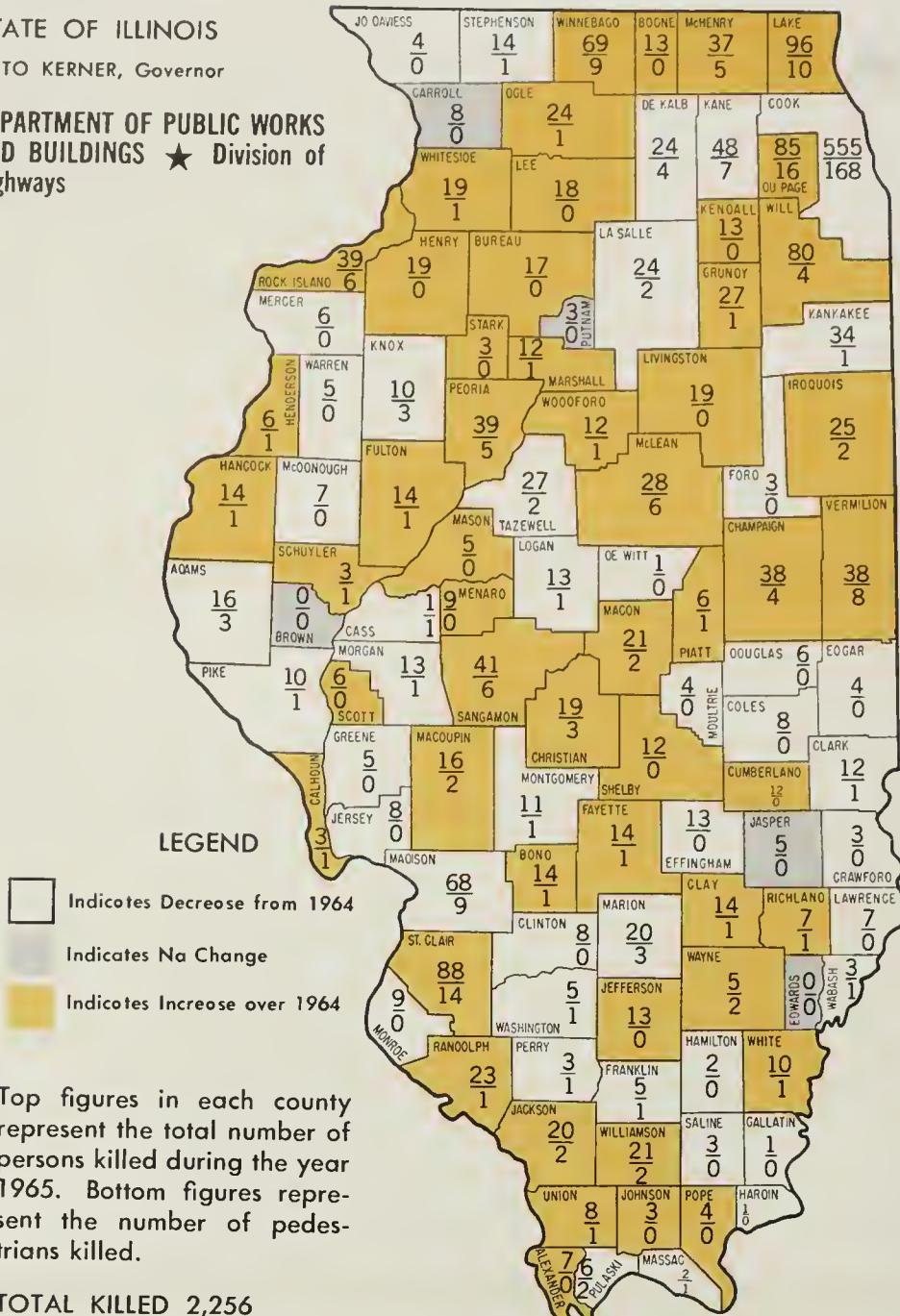


# Illinois MOTOR VEHICLE DEATHS IN 1965

STATE OF ILLINOIS

OTTO KERNER, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AND BUILDINGS ★ Division of  
Highways



# Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Having more than 5,000 population

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964
Chicago	146,557	136,939	302	278	43,286	43,748
Rockford	6,500	3,797	14	12	2,431	1,784
Peoria	3,904	3,311	13	13	1,843	1,560
Springfield	3,674	2,651	11	7	1,727	1,244
East St. Louis	2,938	1,848	19	31	1,597	1,149
Evanston	2,360	1,726	4	7	922	794
Decatur	3,058	2,152	4	4	1,552	1,152
Cicero	1,573	1,484	3	12	697	712
Joliet	2,277	2,004	8	6	1,161	1,116
Aurora	2,354	1,843	10	6	1,091	992
Oak Park	1,807	1,368	3	3	986	731
Skokie	2,705	2,119	1	5	1,585	1,358
Waukegan	1,438	1,123	6	8	740	629
Berwyn	1,149	1,119	3	2	519	610
Racine Island	2,115	1,694	4	9	995	676
Champaign	2,042	1,546	4	2	872	631
Elgin	1,347	1,197	5	4	602	516
Quincy	1,034	924	6	8	452	467
Altan	1,120	951	5	1	530	491
Moline	2,364	1,699	7	5	852	674
Danville	1,813	1,418	6	6	693	613
Granite City	820	757	7	3	407	444
Belleville	1,280	1,010	2	3	546	515
Galesburg	966	767	3	4	412	320
Elmhurst	1,186	1,029	2	3	664	606
Bloomington	1,471	1,052	4	2	676	531
Des Plaines	1,806	1,203	9	8	1,003	696
Chicago Heights	969	851	5	5	524	512
Park Ridge	771	647	4	3	342	339
Park Forest	387	248	1	2	200	134
Harvey	1,207	1,003	5	2	626	614
Wilmette	667	616	2	1	327	341
Pekin	801	565	—	3	381	294
Arlington Heights	642	503	3	3	372	286
Konkakie	1,194	854	1	3	586	406
Oak Lawn	998	776	3	3	580	509
Maywood	770	621	2	3	415	347
Urbana	856	669	2	3	329	244
Freeport	688	457	1	—	285	202
Highland Park	930	591	—	1	480	341
Calumet Park	1,064	762	8	3	516	448
Wheaton	568	363	—	1	288	201
Evergreen Park	713	397	—	4	404	227
Elmwood Park	571	444	—	3	353	251
Lombard	526	346	—	—	325	202
Melrose Park	868	817	1	3	473	468
Rantoul	251	214	—	2	97	115
Jacksonville	550	433	4	2	204	222
Downers Grove	560	438	2	2	315	262
Bellwood	449	397	1	1	236	207
Morton Grove	861	698	4	1	517	504
North Chicago	450	419	4	3	187	206
Brookfield	362	285	2	—	173	132
Niles	1,160	862	1	1	615	524
Villa Park	441	413	1	3	305	267
Blue Island	577	536	4	5	280	266
Dixon	439	302	1	—	155	105
Ottawa	533	421	—	2	164	176
Mattoon	395	338	—	2	193	142
Mount Prospect	675	566	2	2	359	340
Dolton	348	311	2	—	233	168
DeKalb	486	390	—	—	167	144
Franklin Park	784	671	3	4	394	392
Glenview	577	387	—	—	267	188
Lansing	459	322	—	—	215	139
Westchester	299	206	—	2	161	145
Carpentersville	180	123	—	—	89	99
Lincoln	291	269	2	1	148	129
Streator	278	280	—	3	160	149
East Moline	668	546	3	—	266	262
Kewanee	392	222	—	1	160	85
Glen Ellyn	458	354	6	2	299	198
Cahokia	235	170	5	—	175	121
Sterling	436	414	2	1	190	206
Mount Vernon	505	402	—	1	203	198
LaGrange	546	465	—	—	262	236
Corbendale	490	361	3	—	269	236
Forest Park	449	362	1	1	204	183
Collinsville	304	252	3	1	122	112
Norridge	253	178	1	—	138	124
Centralia	352	341	3	3	184	176
LoGrange Park	180	161	—	—	100	88
Conoton	271	224	2	—	124	92
Homewood	384	346	1	—	177	170
Winnetka	497	312	—	—	157	137
Normal	244	210	—	—	138	117
Noperville	282	195	1	1	127	100
Hinsdale	414	269	—	—	155	147
Centreville	87	79	2	1	73	56
River Forest	580	368	2	—	277	217
Northlake	357	276	1	1	199	184
East Peoria	581	552	7	2	323	283
Macomb	328	247	—	1	107	107
Riverdale	267	259	—	3	141	165
Zion	249	190	5	2	137	137
LoSalle	225	172	—	1	77	96
Deerfield	276	206	—	1	139	84
Lincolnwood	666	498	1	3	426	302
Morkhom	154	139	—	1	118	110
Wood River	333	279	3	3	165	170
Northbrook	335	203	1	1	205	106

\* Accidents occurring on controlled access routes within urban areas are not included in the city totals except those in Chicago.

## Age OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

Age (yrs.)	Number of Drivers in Fatal Accidents		
	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL
15 and under	2	13	15
16	17	39	56
17	34	58	92
18-19	84	165	249
20-24	166	329	495
25-34	190	381	571
35-44	172	324	496
45-54	117	242	359
55-64	87	205	292
65-74	45	119	164
75 and older	15	56	71
Not stated	30	11	41
<b>Totals</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>1,942</b>	<b>2,901</b>

THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS										
DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES										
AVERAGE NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR EACH DAY OF HOLIDAYS										
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in order of size (1960 census).

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1965	1964	1965	1964	1965	1964
Alton	366	270	1	5	172	167
Benton	238	183	1	—	122	91
Belvidere	256	157	—	—	130	80
Belling Meadows	96	70	—	2	41	34
Western Springs	163	145	1	—	74	43
Lake Forest	432	306	2	4	275	148
Lundlein	230	126	1	2	133	77
Horleston	253	172	1	1	101	82
Glencoe	144	143	—	1	82	75
Peru	351	122	—	—	132	74
South Holland	233	190	2	2	130	104
Summit	303	315	—	1	125	179
Monmouth	254	208	—	—	102	87
Rock Falls	205	174	—	1	73	86
Dowdsville	222	173	3	1	109	75
Yons	313	320	—	4	161	164
Paris	201	220	—	—	112	106
Riverside	238	207	—	1	135	102
Errin	194	191	3	1	87	124
Oiro	263	175	1	1	93	76
Paint Chores	361	254	1	1	187	107
Orrisburg	161	150	—	1	53	52
Ensenville	563	320	2	—	276	194
oves Pork	435	276	3	2	188	144
West Frankfort	198	175	1	—	85	78
Woodstock	225	147	1	—	93	77
Taylorville	226	180	1	—	94	69
Iney	214	167	1	1	89	90
Surphsboro	176	165	2	3	74	89
Mount Carmel	220	147	1	1	60	54
Woodview	208	197	—	1	93	122
Berkeleyville	217	153	2	—	102	71
River Grove	383	362	2	8	232	230
Volume Pork	166	130	—	4	105	87
Pontiac	168	129	—	—	63	49
Crystal Lake	173	152	1	—	93	80
North	136	106	—	2	72	61
Effingham	204	152	—	—	62	70
Bradley	217	147	1	1	137	93
North Riverside	254	175	—	—	118	103
Ororis	158	136	—	—	44	78
Hillside	267	239	2	—	164	141
Geneva	250	245	1	—	76	119
East Alton	247	255	1	4	164	158
Rockport	280	216	5	—	143	139
Offmon Estates	79	71	1	—	42	29
Robbins	86	68	3	—	45	30
Latovio	164	124	—	2	71	49
Homemtown	65	79	—	—	38	40
Perseyville	162	170	—	—	76	76
Clinton	107	115	—	—	31	38
Metropolis	69	65	1	1	23	40
Ridge View	228	192	4	—	161	161
Wachfield	133	91	4	1	57	26
Carltonville	223	113	1	1	99	50
Robinson	125	108	—	1	56	54
Wheeling	168	157	1	1	112	114
Georio Heights	75	71	—	1	48	39
Centon	131	114	—	1	50	51
Chochelle	141	125	—	—	59	34
Wcomore	145	122	—	—	46	35
Adison	157	142	—	2	55	58
West Chicago	127	99	—	—	49	56
Adison	401	317	5	1	299	229
Reve Coeur	106	85	2	3	85	53
Rock Grove Village	273	148	—	2	126	81
Cooperton	113	96	—	2	59	35
Idlothion	174	132	—	1	108	78
Washington Park	75	34	1	2	51	27
uQuoin	113	75	1	—	43	31
ano	108	97	—	—	44	38
reger	86	73	2	1	63	29
ney Pork	83	66	—	—	25	26
airfield	131	111	1	—	38	38
erstown	90	68	1	—	46	20
nceton	79	102	—	2	24	38
ckney	121	141	1	—	54	103
ozel Crest	120	76	1	—	81	53
alem	151	101	—	—	54	46
endota	95	83	—	—	41	38
ormi	136	102	1	1	60	44
estmont	129	101	—	1	56	56
Washington	75	72	—	—	27	34
rest Hill	121	74	—	1	111	51
orendon Hills	137	75	3	—	110	64
berkeley	63	65	—	—	29	50
hicago Ridge	138	132	—	1	88	101
orwood Heights	147	150	—	1	93	71
hiller Pork	439	381	1	2	251	247
andolio	143	110	—	2	62	68
awrenceville	104	88	3	—	36	30
arlerville	64	65	1	—	34	30
arrington	156	159	—	1	69	61
enice	117	99	—	2	56	80
pring Valley	100	85	—	1	38	31
oro	100	72	—	—	36	27
orton	162	115	—	1	45	43
otseko	85	81	—	1	40	39
enesee	92	61	—	—	20	17
ound Lake Beach	36	43	—	1	24	31

## Fatalities BY MONTH

MONTH	Persons Killed	Per Cent of Total
Jan.	163	7.2
Feb.	152	6.8
Mar.	165	7.3
Apr.	136	6.0
May	176	7.8
June	172	7.6
July	165	7.3
Aug.	245	10.9
Sept.	181	8.0
Oct.	225	10.0
Nov.	223	9.9
Dec.	253	11.2
Total	2,256	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	40,193	12.4	209	11.0
Tuesday	41,558	12.8	229	12.0
Wednesday	41,028	12.7	179	9.4
Thursday	46,374	14.3	212	11.1
Friday	55,982	17.3	359	18.9
Saturday	56,418	17.4	367	19.3
Sunday	42,519	13.1	348	18.3
Totals	324,072	100.0	1,903	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED		PERSONS INJURED	
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# How ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1965

Collision of Motor Vehicle with -

Type of Accident	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	All Accidents
Ran off road	16,487	5.1	310	16.3	355	15.7	11,024	7.6	13,671
Overturned in road	1,046	0.3	30	1.6	31	1.4	810	0.6	1,015
Pedestrian	10,782	3.3	339	17.8	342	15.2	10,877	7.5	9,811
Motor vehicle in traffic	226,223	69.8	803	42.2	1,038	46.0	106,416	73.1	198,562
Parked motor vehicle	48,335	14.9	18	0.9	20	0.9	5,129	3.5	40,850
Railroad train	610	0.2	95	5.0	132	5.9	325	0.2	490
Bicyclist	2,210	0.7	30	1.6	30	1.3	2,331	1.6	2,101
Animal	1,251	0.4	1	0.1	1	—	287	0.2	921
Fixed object	13,652	4.2	256	13.4	285	12.6	6,665	4.6	10,600
Other object	2,046	0.6	2	0.1	3	0.1	764	0.5	1,932
Other non-collision	1,430	0.5	19	1.0	19	0.9	916	0.6	1,117
Totals	324,072	100.0	1,903	100.0	2,256	100.0	145,544	100.0	281,166

\*Includes two fatalities with a time not stated.

# When ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1965

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total
		URBAN	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	Totals															
URBAN	5	1	5	1	2	—	—	6	3	1	2	3	4	4	5	3	6	8	11	1	3	4	2	4	84
	4	5	3	1	—	2	2	2	2	2	1	3	4	4	2	5	6	10	4	6	2	2	4	4	80
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	8	5	3	1	2	—	3	6	—	1	1	4	2	2	2	6	5	8	7	4	9	7	9	7	102
	2	5	2	2	5	3	4	2	1	3	4	5	6	5	8	9	5	10	12	13	12	6	10	10	146
	6	6	14	13	3	4	4	2	1	4	1	1	1	7	2	6	4	9	8	11	3	5	4	8	127
	5	13	11	11	2	7	3	1	2	1	1	3	6	3	3	2	8	8	5	9	3	4	6	4	121
Totals	31	35	40	29	15	16	16	20	13	13	11	23	25	28	26	35	37	61	52	48	37	31	44	38	726

# Where ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1965

URBAN	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
250,000 and over pop.	146,557	45.2	285	15.0	302	13.4	43,286	29.8	128	37.4
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	10,404	3.2	24	1.2	27	1.2	4,274	2.9	12	3.5
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	27,448	8.5	73	3.8	76	3.4	13,572	9.3	28	8.2
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	29,203	9.0	86	4.5	97	4.3	13,672	9.4	28	8.2
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	29,973	9.2	89	4.7	96	4.2	15,006	10.3	21	6.2
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	22,281	6.9	110	5.8	128	5.7	10,952	7.5	35	10.2
Urban totals	265,866	82.0	667	35.0	726	32.2	100,762	69.2	252	73.7

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 82 per cent of all accidents and 32 per cent of all traffic fatalities.

# Why ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1965

CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS											
Circumstance Indicated		Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total	Circumstance Indicated		Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total
Speed too fast	132	354	486	25.5	—	Made improper turn	3	7	10	0.5	
Failed to yield right-of-way	266	206	472	24.8	—	Other improper driving	26	55	81	4.3	
Drove left of center	51	218	269	14.1	—	Inadequate brakes	2	6	8	0.4	
Improper overtaking	6	75	81	4.3	—	Improper lights	—	7	7	0.4	
Passed stop sign	31	113	144	7.6	—	Had been drinking	66	107	173	9.1	
Disregarded traffic signal	40	26	66	3.5	—	No circumstance indicated	37	42	79	4.1	
Followed too closely	7	20	27	1.4	—	Totals	667	1,236	1,903	100.0	

HUMAN ERROR SPELLS DEATH. Some sort of improper driving on the part of one or more drivers involved contributed to 96 per cent of all fatal accidents. Speed too fast, failed to yield right-of-way, drove left of center, and had been drinking remain as factors that contributed to nearly three out of four of these fatal mishaps.

1965

CHANGE FROM  
1965 TO 1966  
(Per Cent)

ALL ACCIDENTS	PERSONS KILLED	ALL ACCIDENTS	PERSONS KILLED
5,487	355	4.5	7.3
1,046	31	2.3	16.1
0,782	342	-2.4	24.6
6,223	1,038	2.1	8.8
8,335	20	1.0	35.0
610	132	8.0	0.8
2,210	30	-8.3	3.3
1,251	1	-6.2	600.0
3,652	285	1.4	13.7
2,046	3	-12.3	100.0
1,430	19	-5.3	15.8
4,072	2,256	1.7	11.8

## ILLINOIS MOTORISTS Who MET DEATH IN 1966

AGE GROUP (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED *				PERSONS INJURED *			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	53	2.9	21	3.0	2,818	3.4	2,415	3.7
5-9	67	3.7	36	5.1	4,895	5.8	3,330	5.1
10-14	54	3.0	22	3.1	3,767	4.5	2,878	4.4
15-19	258	14.2	97	13.8	13,258	15.8	9,560	14.7
20-24	248	13.7	63	8.9	11,950	14.2	8,755	13.4
25-34	281	15.5	72	10.2	15,076	18.0	9,619	14.8
35-44	211	11.6	80	11.3	11,665	13.9	9,158	14.1
45-54	211	11.6	95	13.5	9,000	10.7	8,153	12.5
55-64	192	10.6	82	11.6	5,837	6.9	5,091	7.8
65-74	126	6.9	82	11.6	2,790	3.3	2,674	4.1
75 and over	114	6.3	56	7.9	923	1.1	850	1.3
Not stated	1	0.0	—	0.0	1,981	2.4	2,694	4.1
Totals	1,816	100.0	706	100.0	83,960	100.0	65,177	100.0

\* Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid- night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
RURAL	MON.	3	8	6	4	3	2	7	10	5	7	10	2	4	15	6	14	18	26	10	18	10	9	16	10	223
	TUES.	11	5	4	—	—	—	2	10	9	5	6	4	4	5	8	15	20	10	9	11	4	8	5	12	167
	WED.	6	7	6	1	5	5	5	10	9	7	13	4	6	5	6	12	19	16	19	9	21	8	8	1	208
	THUR.	2	11	2	5	5	9	6	12	2	14	8	9	6	4	8	9	12	16	6	18	9	15	8	11	207
	FRI.	9	5	5	3	6	—	1	10	4	7	9	4	6	7	9	14	14	18	11	15	7	17	18	28	227
	SAT.	24	13	19	16	16	10	6	14	12	7	9	6	9	13	14	10	26	22	23	18	12	24	23	13	359
	SUN.	26	26	20	15	12	9	3	3	10	7	1	10	4	2	14	18	20	15	29	10	4	13	6	11	288
	Totals	81	75	62	44	47	35	30	69	51	54	56	39	39	51	65	92	129	123	107	99	67	94	84	86	1679

RURAL	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
State highways	35,494	10.8	887	41.7	1,138	45.1	30,860	20.7	65	14.8
Tollways	1,485	0.4	22	1.0	27	1.1	819	0.5	2	0.4
County and local roads	14,219	4.3	343	16.1	414	16.4	10,387	7.0	28	6.4
Below 2,500 pop.	9,492	2.9	88	4.2	100	4.0	5,115	3.4	9	2.0
Rural totals	60,690	18.4	1,340	63.0	1,679	66.6	47,181	31.6	104	23.6
Statewide totals	329,425	100.0	2,126	100.0	2,522	100.0	149,137	100.0	440	100.0

DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS. Although less than one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1966 occurred in rural locations, nearly two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.



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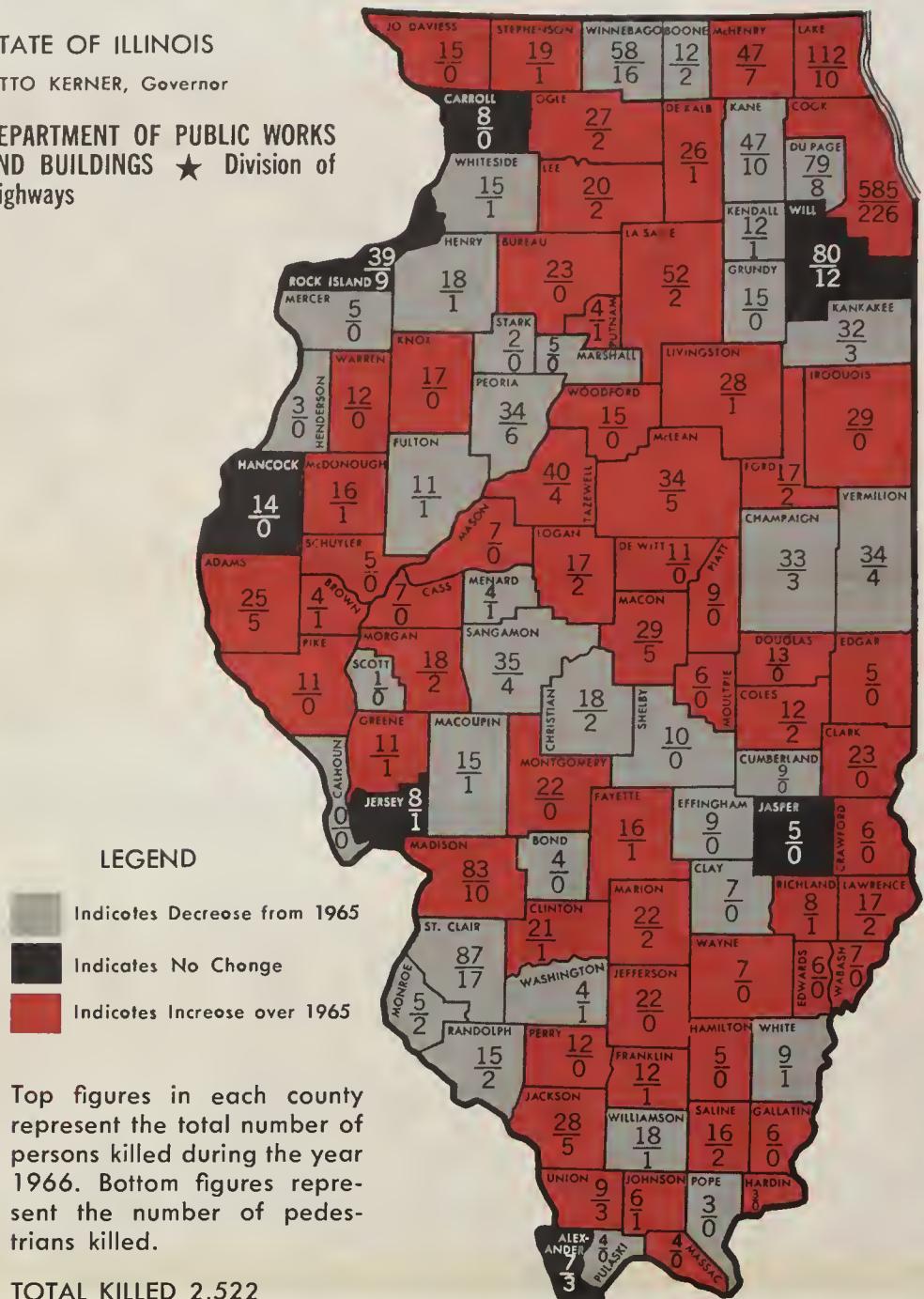
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# Illinois MOTOR VEHICLE DEATHS IN 1966

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## 10 Year Trends IN TRAFFIC – ILLINOIS\*

MILLIONS OF VEHICLES REGISTERED											
UP 32%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	3.53	3.61	3.72	3.92	3.89	4.01	4.13	4.29	4.49	4.67	
MILLIONS OF LICENSED DRIVERS											
UP 27%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	4.59	4.52	4.63	4.64	4.70	4.73	4.87	5.44	5.60	5.82	
BILLIONS OF MILES											
UP 39%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	33.97	34.96	35.58	36.51	37.65	38.74	40.09	42.52	44.18	47.30	
HUNDREDS OF DEATHS											
UP 20%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	20.96	18.86	17.95	17.25	18.22	18.90	20.28	22.07	22.56	25.22	
THOUSANDS OF INJURIES											
UP 63%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	91.69	98.04	102.31	104.83	110.19	112.31	119.89	134.15	145.54	149.14	
THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS											
UP 124%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	147.19	207.23	217.49	236.98	244.07	252.02	258.68	281.16	324.07	329.42	
DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES											
DOWN 15%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	5.2	5.4	5.0	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.3	
AVERAGE NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR EACH DAY OF HOLIDAYS											
UP 27%	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	
	7.4	7.4	8.9	6.0	6.9	7.0	6.9	10.0	9.9	9.4	

\* 1966 COMPARED WITH 1957

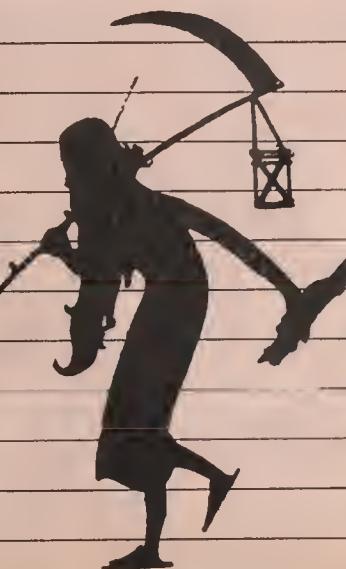
## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY

Having more than 5,000 population

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965
Chicago	146,134	146,557	334	302	41,237	43,286
Rockford	6,482	6,500	22	14	2,730	2,431
Peoria	3,879	3,904	13	13	1,869	1,843
Springfield	3,522	3,674	13	11	1,872	1,727
East St. Louis	3,228	2,938	17	19	1,828	1,597
Evanston	2,192	2,360	5	4	972	922
Decatur	2,985	3,058	14	4	1,633	1,552
Cicero	1,751	1,573	4	3	806	697
Joliet	2,517	2,277	11	8	1,292	1,161
Aurora	2,135	2,354	9	10	974	1,091
Oak Park	1,958	1,807	3	3	1,081	986
Skokie	2,617	2,705	4	1	1,663	1,585
Waukegan	1,533	1,438	6	6	724	740
Burnet	1,153	1,149	2	3	523	519
Rock Island	2,120	2,115	8	4	1,028	995
Champaign	1,990	2,042	2	4	903	872
Elgin	1,339	1,347	3	5	545	602
Quincy	1,072	1,034	7	6	476	452
Alton	1,088	1,120	8	7	538	530
Moline	2,371	2,364	9	7	888	852
Danville	1,786	1,813	6	6	690	693
Granite City	851	820	7	7	439	417
Belleville	1,327	1,280	2	2	608	546
Galesburg	840	966	5	3	344	412
Elmhurst	1,290	1,186	6	2	647	647
Bloomington	1,692	1,471	5	4	9	9
Des Plaines	1,741	1,806	5	9	2	2
Chicago Heights	1,120	969	7	5	5	5
Park Ridge	717	771	2	4	2	2
Park Forest	406	387	2	1	2	2
Harvey	1,572	1,207	9	5	2	2
Wilmette	657	677	—	—	—	—
Pekin	777	801	4	—	—	—
Arlington Heights	717	642	1	3	—	—
Kankakee	1,147	1,194	3	1	—	—
Oak Lawn	1,196	998	6	2	—	—
Maywood	758	770	—	—	372	372
Urbana	827	856	1	2	—	—
Freeport	800	688	1	1	—	—
Highland Park	886	930	3	—	433	433
Calumet City	1,226	1,064	2	8	63	55
Wheaton	556	568	1	—	267	267
Evergreen Park	788	713	1	—	413	413
Elmwood Park	493	571	2	—	279	279
Lombard	576	526	1	—	344	344
Melrose Park	952	868	2	1	41	41
Rantoul	290	251	3	—	1	1
Jacksonville	549	550	8	4	2	2
Downers Grove	644	560	1	2	4	4
Bellwood	481	449	4	1	1	1
Morton Grove	766	861	—	4	4	4
North Chicago	491	450	16	4	224	224
Brookfield	336	362	2	2	123	123
Niles	1,115	1,160	3	1	5	5
Villa Park	548	441	4	1	37	37
Blue Island	572	577	1	4	2	2
Dixon	472	439	1	1	154	154
Ottawa	516	533	1	—	181	181
Mattoon	408	395	3	2	135	135
Mount Prospect	664	675	3	2	356	356
Dolton	408	348	2	2	200	200
DeKalb	501	486	2	—	194	194
Franklin Park	758	784	3	3	3	3
Glenview	572	577	2	—	215	215
Lansing	518	459	2	—	215	215
Westchester	332	299	1</			

## Fatalities BY MONTH

MONTH	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT
Jan.	201	8.0
Feb.	169	6.7
Mar.	175	6.9
Apr.	209	8.3
May	209	8.3
June	184	7.3
July	224	8.9
Aug.	242	9.6
Sept.	207	8.2
Oct.	255	10.1
Nov.	225	8.9
Dec.	222	8.8
Total	2,522	100.0



## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	42,605	12.9	279	13.1
Tuesday	40,314	12.2	231	10.9
Wednesday	45,180	13.7	241	11.3
Thursday	42,723	13.0	255	12.0
Friday	54,597	16.6	327	15.4
Saturday	59,482	18.1	438	20.6
Sunday	44,524	13.5	355	16.7
Totals	329,425	100.0	2,126	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS		PERSONS KILLED		PERSONS INJURED		COUNTY	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS		PERSONS KILLED		PERSONS INJURED	
	1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965		1966	1965	1966	1965	1966	1965
Adams	1,517	1,487	25	16	841	750	Macon	3,484	3,619	29	21	2,001	1,967
Alexander	332	432	7	7	233	280	Macoupin	681	665	15	16	502	448
Bond	326	300	4	14	271	227	Madison	5,873	5,712	83	68	3,921	3,471
Boone	736	679	12	13	388	454	Marion	1,014	929	22	20	678	606
Brown	113	79	4	—	74	36	Marshall	209	216	5	12	139	118
Bureau	671	581	23	17	408	368	Mason	246	247	7	5	137	148
Calhoun	122	103	—	3	67	52	Massac	170	167	4	2	98	92
Carroll	311	360	8	8	173	195	Menard	144	131	4	9	87	66
Cass	247	220	7	1	171	133	Mercer	284	309	5	6	175	202
Champaign	4,146	4,125	33	38	2,245	2,059	Monroe	352	315	5	9	279	239
Christian	720	730	18	19	407	436	Montgomery	739	684	22	11	552	516
Clark	330	268	23	12	309	227	Morgan	848	898	18	13	488	440
Clay	319	301	7	14	206	166	Moultrie	269	221	6	4	185	164
Clinton	446	433	21	8	300	303	Ogle	912	998	27	24	640	636
Coles	932	909	12	8	437	531	Peoria	5,087	5,098	34	39	2,780	2,593
Cook	198,557	197,000	585	555	70,577	72,175	Perry	436	363	12	3	297	251
Crawford	331	304	6	3	188	174	Piatt	213	231	9	6	142	148
Cumberland	171	205	9	12	153	204	Pike	375	418	11	10	247	319
DeKalb	1,204	1,114	26	24	597	550	Pope	55	41	3	4	42	37
DeWitt	366	327	11	1	235	215	Pulaski	144	126	4	6	130	81
Douglas	272	253	13	6	197	173	Putnam	90	67	4	3	72	65
DuPage	9,853	9,016	79	85	6,049	5,839	Randolph	619	520	15	23	485	398
Edgar	411	402	5	4	291	265	Richland	353	348	8	7	222	214
Edwards	107	85	6	—	64	61	Rock Island	6,233	6,033	39	39	2,953	2,660
Effingham	527	496	9	13	344	310	St. Clair	7,691	7,137	87	88	5,092	4,549
Fayette	364	420	16	14	300	298	Saline	525	484	16	3	299	295
Ford	351	334	17	3	229	152	Sangamon	4,963	5,059	35	41	2,934	2,781
Franklin	732	646	12	5	469	378	Schuylerville	134	131	5	3	96	96
Fulton	856	844	11	14	474	488	Scott	110	106	1	6	70	55
Gallatin	169	181	6	1	121	143	Shelby	351	349	10	12	241	247
Greene	281	279	11	5	164	171	Stark	110	129	2	3	92	87
Grundy	532	504	15	27	369	271	Stephenson	1,336	1,245	19	14	701	622
Hamilton	145	117	5	2	125	87	Tazewell	2,610	2,548	40	27	1,756	1,547
Hancock	399	399	14	14	231	268	Union	316	282	9	8	238	232
Hardin	38	43	3	1	41	44	Vermilion	2,724	2,709	34	38	1,368	1,327
Henderson	204	176	3	6	143	129	Wabash	276	317	7	3	175	145
Henry	1,114	1,112	18	19	622	618	Warren	501	497	12	5	263	281
Iroquois	733	639	29	25	623	472	Washington	266	273	4	5	208	213
Jackson	1,254	1,126	28	20	771	795	Wayne	331	306	7	5	217	138
Jasper	165	157	5	5	103	116	White	359	328	9	10	188	199
Jefferson	880	864	22	13	585	495	Whiteside	1,396	1,354	15	19	776	724
Jersey	375	428	8	8	249	267	Will	5,357	4,847	80	80	3,523	3,134
Jo Daviess	543	629	15	4	277	311	Williamson	1,095	1,002	18	21	726	661
Johnson	133	122	6	3	98	133	Winnebago	8,291	8,217	58	69	3,997	3,510
Kane	5,959	6,019	47	48	3,081	3,057	Woodford	450	446	15	12	331	281
Kankakee	2,461	2,286	32	34	1,565	1,382	Totals	329,425	324,072	2,522	2,256	149,137	145,544

1966 versus 1965  
 Travel  
 Accident reporting rate  
 Reported accidents  
 Fatalities  
 Travel-death rate  
 \*One hundred fifty-four reports of nonfatal accidents  
 were received per fatal accident report this  
 year, compared with 169 last year.

## Light CONDITIONS

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# How ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1966

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT
Ran off road	17,222	5.2	328	15.4	381	15.1	11,967	8.0
Overturned in road	1,070	0.3	35	1.6	36	1.4	847	0.6
Pedestrian	10,526	3.2	424	19.9	426	16.9	10,656	7.2
Motor vehicle in traffic	230,943	70.1	854	40.2	1,129	44.8	109,006	73.1
Parker motor vehicle	48,815	14.8	27	1.3	27	1.1	5,133	3.4
Railroad train	659	0.2	99	4.7	133	5.3	439	0.3
Bicyclist	2,027	0.6	30	1.4	31	1.2	2,153	1.4
Animal	1,174	0.4	4	0.2	7	0.3	279	0.2
Fixed object	13,841	4.2	297	14.0	324	12.8	6,984	4.7
Other object	1,794	0.6	6	0.3	6	0.2	760	0.5
Other non-collision	1,354	0.4	22	1.0	22	0.9	913	0.6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>329,425</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,126</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,522</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>149,137</b>	<b>100.0</b>

# When ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1966

\*Includes one fatality with a time not stated

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
URBAN	MON.	3	4	2	3	2	—	7	5	1	4	1	7	4	5	2	5	9	5	12	6	4	3	4	1	99
	TUES.	5	2	4	1	8	1	2	1	2	3	4	6	6	2	4	7	6	11	5	6	9	2	7	3	107
	WED.	3	4	1	1	3	1	4	2	10	1	1	—	4	4	4	1	7	6	4	4	3	4	7	6	85
	THUR.	3	3	2	1	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	4	4	4	1	8	8	4	4	7	9	8	4	2	93
	FRI.	7	9	2	1	3	1	—	3	4	2	3	9	6	5	5	7	9	7	13	9	13	6	13	9	146
	SAT.	9	10	9	9	6	6	6	2	1	6	4	4	6	6	8	5	4	9	8	15	4	7	9	25	178
	SUN.	14	9	4	10	3	11	2	1	3	1	—	4	—	7	2	7	5	9	7	16	5	8	4	3	135
<b>Totals</b>		<b>44</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>843</b>

# Where ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1966

URBAN	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
250,000 and over pop.	146,134	44.4	322	15.1	334	13.2	41,237	27.6	167	38.0
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	10,361	3.1	33	1.6	35	1.4	4,599	3.1	16	3.7
50,000 to 250,000 pop.	27,711	8.4	92	4.3	96	3.8	14,396	9.7	41	9.3
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	30,193	9.2	99	4.7	106	4.2	14,461	9.7	34	7.7
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	31,220	9.5	116	5.5	138	5.5	15,680	10.5	37	8.4
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	23,116	7.0	124	5.8	134	5.3	11,583	7.8	41	9.3
Urban totals	268,735	81.6	786	37.0	843	33.4	101,956	68.4	336	76.4

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 82 per cent of all accidents and 33 per cent of all traffic fatalities.

# Why ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1966

## CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent	Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent
Speed too fast	180	382	562	26.4	Made improper turn	5	4	9	0.4
Failed to yield right-of-way	336	215	551	25.9	Other improper driving	49	49	98	4.6
Drove left of center	42	236	278	13.1	Inadequate brakes	6	9	15	0.7
Improper overtaking	1	102	103	4.9	Improper lights	4	13	17	0.8
Passed stop sign	38	120	158	7.4	Had been drinking	67	144	211	9.9
Disregarded traffic signal	27	28	55	2.6	No circumstance indicated	28	22	50	2.4
Followed too closely	3	16	19	0.9	<b>Totals</b>	<b>786</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>2,126</b>	<b>100.0</b>

HUMAN ERROR SPELLS DEATH. Some sort of improper driving on the part of one or more drivers involved contributed to 98 per cent of all fatal accidents. Speed too fast, failed to yield right-of-way, drove left of center, and had been drinking remain as factors that contributed to nearly three out of four of these fatal mishaps.

1966

CHANGE FROM  
1966 TO 1967  
(Per Cent)

ALL ACCIDENTS	PERSONS KILLED	ALL ACCIDENTS	PERSONS KILLED
7,222	381	7.0	-3.4
1,070	36	16.4	-2.8
5,526	426	1.9	-9.4
9,943	1,129	1.8	3.8
3,815	27	5.4	-11.1
659	133	-0.8	-8.3
2,027	31	1.6	25.8
1,174	7	8.2	-71.4
3,841	324	-4.9	-0.9
1,794	6	22.0	-
1,354	22	0.7	-18.2
2,425	2,522	2.5	-1.1

## ILLINOIS MOTORISTS Who MET DEATH IN 1967

Age Group (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED *				PERSONS INJURED *			
	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT	MALE	PER CENT	FEMALE	PER CENT
0-4	47	2.7	40	5.2	2,801	3.4	2,341	3.5
5-9	58	3.4	50	6.6	4,748	5.7	3,268	4.9
10-14	51	3.0	26	3.4	3,803	4.6	2,840	4.3
15-19	248	14.3	96	12.6	12,969	15.6	9,668	14.6
20-24	286	16.5	73	9.6	12,236	14.7	9,306	14.0
25-34	250	14.4	70	9.2	14,862	17.8	9,997	15.1
35-44	189	10.9	67	8.8	11,390	13.7	8,945	13.5
45-54	196	11.3	102	13.4	8,801	10.6	8,252	12.5
55-64	159	9.2	90	11.8	5,929	7.1	5,242	7.9
65-74	134	7.7	94	12.3	2,696	3.2	2,835	4.3
75 and over	110	6.4	54	7.1	1,038	1.2	912	1.4
Not stated	3	0.2	—	—	2,007	2.4	2,626	4.0
Totals	1,731	100.0	762	100.0	83,280	100.0	66,232	100.0

\* Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid- night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
RURAL	MON.	13	8	3	6	3	3	12	10	8	7	4	6	6	11	11	12	30	13	9	6	4	7	7	8	207
	TUES.	8	1	7	2	1	2	5	5	6	2	2	15	1	5	11	6	15	11	5	9	7	9	4	7	146
	WED.	6	3	3	3	3	1	1	9	13	1	11	8	8	4	7	13	16	15	10	12	4	12	12	6	181
	THUR.	10	10	4	1	2	3	6	4	8	10	26	8	9	8	18	12	13	6	4	25	5	11	8	7	219*
	FRI.	4	11	9	1	3	1	9	4	3	11	6	14	10	10	7	11	24	28	23	20	9	15	11	23	267
	SAT.	23	21	25	23	4	15	5	13	14	4	8	14	7	8	23	14	9	13	29	15	20	25	21	15	368
	SUN.	17	21	23	18	7	5	5	3	1	1	6	12	12	12	17	17	27	26	18	16	17	17	11	6	315
	TOTAL	81	75	74	54	23	30	43	48	53	36	63	77	53	58	94	85	134	112	98	103	66	96	74	72	1703

RURAL	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
State highways	40,651	12.0	985	46.8	1,246	50.0	33,426	22.4	72	17.6
Tollways	1,727	0.5	16	0.8	17	0.7	905	0.6	—	—
County and local roads	14,014	4.2	265	12.6	315	12.6	9,624	6.4	28	6.9
Below 2,500 pop.	9,933	2.9	112	5.3	125	5.0	5,304	3.5	23	5.6
Rural totals	66,325	19.6	1,378	65.5	1,703	68.3	49,259	32.9	123	30.1
Statewide totals	337,568	100.0	2,104	100.0	2,493	100.0	149,512	100.0	408	100.0

DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS. Although less than one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1967 occurred in rural locations, nearly two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.

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# Accident Facts

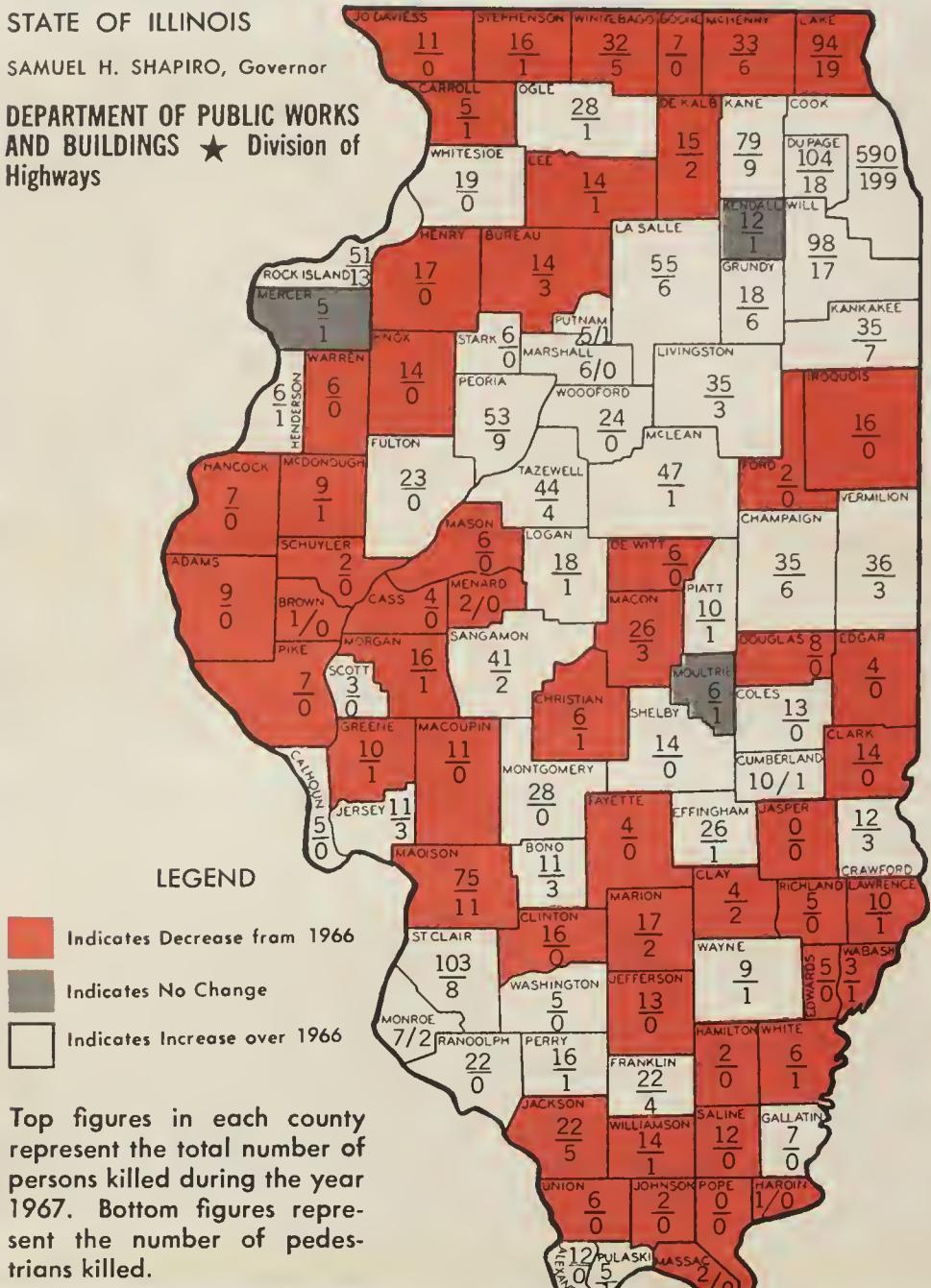


# Illinois MOTOR VEHICLE DEATHS IN 1967

STATE OF ILLINOIS

SAMUEL H. SHAPIRO, Governor

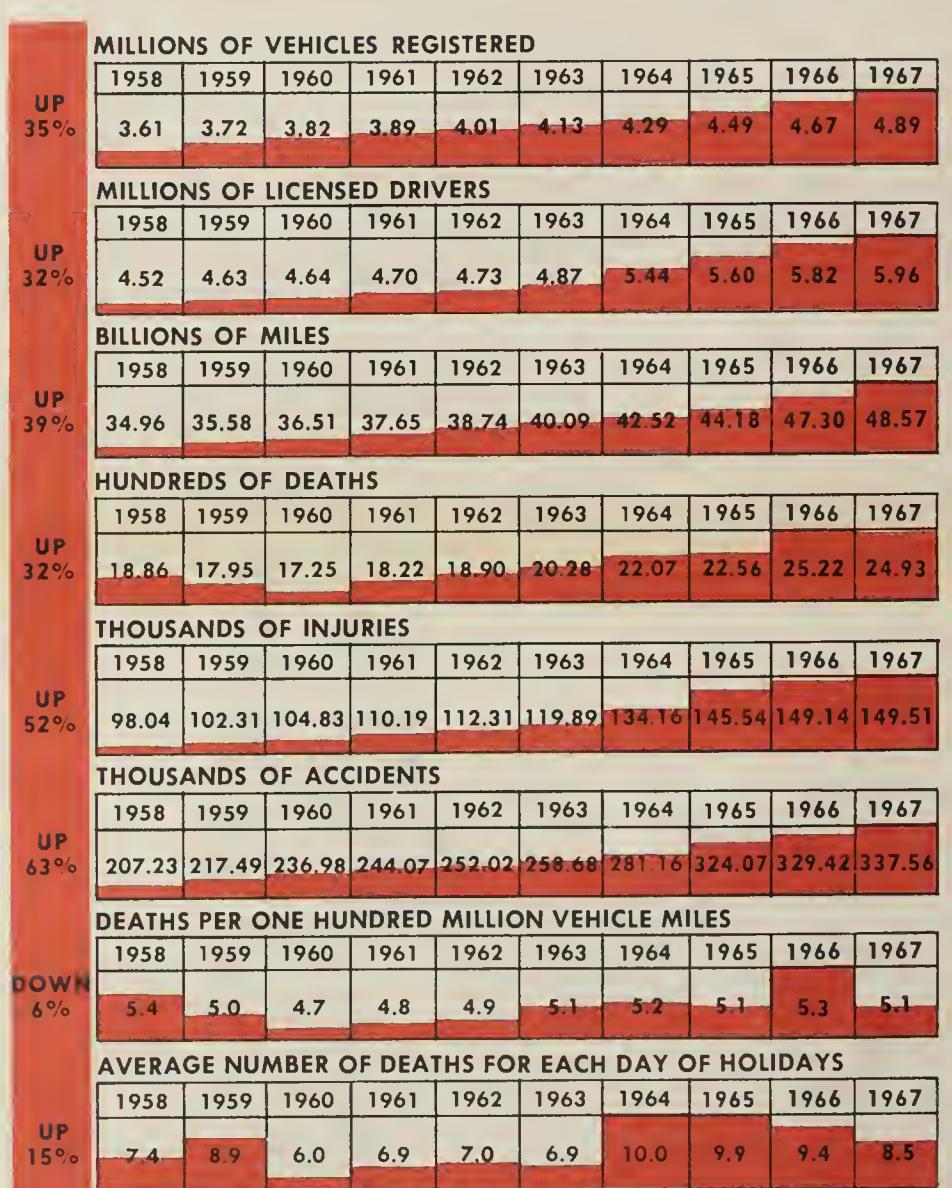
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Highways**



Top figures in each county represent the total number of persons killed during the year 1967. Bottom figures represent the number of pedestrains killed.

**TOTAL KILLED 2,493  
(PEDESTRIANS KILLED 408)**

# 10 Year Trends IN TRAFFIC - ILLINOIS \*



\* 1967 COMPARED WITH 1958

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY

Having more than 5,000 popular on

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966
Chicago	144,122	146,134	311	334	39,777	41,237
Rockford	6,870	6,482	12	22	3,183	2,730
Peoria	3,945	3,879	13	13	1,919	1,869
Springfield	3,666	3,522	10	13	1,980	1,872
East St. Louis	3,190	3,228	14	17	1,915	1,828
Evanston	2,164	2,194	5	5	875	972
Decatur	3,129	2,985	9	14	1,673	1,633
Cicero	1,612	1,751	4	4	688	806
Joliet	2,529	2,517	17	11	1,238	1,292
Aurora	2,020	2,135	6	9	906	974
Oak Park	1,946	1,958	4	3	1,087	1,081
Skokie	2,836	2,617	9	4	1,515	1,663
Waukegan	1,712	1,533	11	6	800	724
Berwyn	1,113	1,153	1	2	442	523
Rock Island	2,125	2,120	7	8	1,073	1,028
Champaign	2,346	1,990	5	2	942	903
Elgin	1,393	1,339	7	3	539	545
Quincy	1,040	1,072	1	7	475	476
Altan	1,054	1,088	1	8	532	538
Maline	2,321	2,371	7	9	824	888
Danville	1,741	1,786	7	6	715	690
Granite City	791	851	8	7	372	439
Belleview	1,262	1,327	4	2	557	608
Galesburg	935	840	3	5	362	344
Elmhurst	1,216	1,290	6	6	519	647
Bloomington	1,585	1,692	5	5	745	924
Des Plaines	1,692	1,741	4	5	846	882
Chicago Heights	1,052	1,120	2	7	471	568
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Highland Park	998	886	7	3	497	433
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Wheaton	635	556	3	1	346	267
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Dixon	504	472	1	1	173	154
Ottawa	569	516	3	1	226	181
Mattaon	465	408	—	3	172	135
Mount Prospect	1,049	664	—	3	487	356
Dolton	400	408	3	2	181	200
DeKalb	538	501	2	2	181	194
Franklin Park	830	758	—	3	354	357
Glenview	535	572	1	2	204	244
Lansing	556	518	1	2	258	252
Westchester	352	332	1	1	185	170
Carpentersville	202	182	2	—	100	99
Lincoln	432	280	6	—	160	145
Streator	263	287	1	5	140	138
East Maline	717	730	9	1	316	338
Kewanee	446	372	—	—	114	124
Glen Ellyn	529	529	1	—	261	253
Cahokia	280	280	6	3	178	206
Sterling	500	453	1	2	196	213
Mount Vernon	588	509	—	1	289	214
LaGrange	578	506	2	—	250	202
Carbondale	435	542	3	3	160	270
Forest Park	510	549	2	—	247	271
Collinsville	261	279	—	1	120	135
Norridge	242	217	—	—	151	120
Centralia	431	389	1	3	214	234
LaGrange Park	296	197	—	—	135	89
Cantan	270	295	—	2	95	102
Homewood	396	402	—	—	171	199
Winnetka	420	420	2	1	159	115
Narmal	362	274	2	—	152	159
Naperville	266	259	—	—	147	127
Hinsdale	482	457	1	1	221	221
Centreville	108	79	3	3	79	57
River Forest	555	606	1	1	268	349
Narthlake	487	431	1	1	221	260
East Peoria	581	700	7	5	386	459
Macomb	362	310	2	1	108	97
Riverdale	259	327	7	4	152	157
Zion	230	234	2	1	158	159
LaSalle	313	265	3	—	124	119
Deerfield	245	239	—	—	105	122
Lincolnwood	765	704	2	2	434	451
Markham	259	237	2	1	151	199
Wood River	395	384	6	2	212	237

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## **Age OF DRIVERS IN FATAL ACCIDENTS**

Age (yrs.)	Number of Drivers in Fatal Crashes		
	URBAN	RURAL	TOTAL
15 and under	2	9	11
16	23	58	81
17	36	65	101
18-19	79	171	250
20-24	186	384	570
25-34	202	443	645
35-44	146	356	502
45-54	122	319	441
55-64	84	198	282
65-74	34	123	157
75 and older	24	67	91
Not stated	37	18	55
<b>Totals</b>	<b>975</b>	<b>2,211</b>	<b>3,186</b>

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1967	1966	1967	1966	1967	1966
Brookline	416	401	1	3	201	235
Brookline	362	347	1	1	144	187
Brookline	227	247	2	2	84	118
Brookline	341	332	—	2	119	120
Brookline	168	115	—	—	93	72
Brookline	204	191	—	—	85	83
Brookline	486	429	3	4	257	247
Brookline	216	190	2	6	108	110
Brookline	289	243	—	1	144	88
Brookline	165	153	—	—	52	52
Brookline	335	287	2	—	157	155
Brookline	332	281	3	1	179	156
Brookline	278	284	—	1	97	144
Brookline	279	267	1	3	97	106
Brookline	227	223	1	1	94	123
Brookline	191	220	1	—	85	74
Brookline	305	277	1	2	186	132
Brookline	221	214	1	2	77	111
Brookline	195	211	7	—	104	133
Brookline	180	215	1	—	89	109
Brookline	183	164	—	1	79	73
Brookline	472	385	5	3	320	225
Brookline	196	166	2	1	81	55
Brookline	582	644	1	—	227	284
Brookline	454	420	—	1	244	190
Brookline	155	228	3	1	83	129
Brookline	206	238	1	—	76	91
Brookline	216	228	—	3	109	76
Brookline	208	221	—	4	93	102
Brookline	192	153	—	3	72	76
Brookline	204	188	1	—	78	98
Brookline	258	224	1	—	91	99
Brookline	248	207	1	1	120	76
Brookline	431	467	1	3	232	260
Brookline	130	179	1	2	67	87
Brookline	295	229	1	2	118	67
Brookline	195	183	1	—	88	99
Brookline	158	133	1	2	65	77
Brookline	265	242	1	—	85	88
Brookline	290	250	—	—	136	148
Brookline	285	260	—	—	169	122
Brookline	163	138	2	—	55	44
Brookline	299	249	—	2	150	140
Brookline	314	283	—	1	113	103
Brookline	222	297	—	—	119	191
Brookline	286	254	—	3	180	110
Brookline	164	95	1	1	99	51
Brookline	113	76	1	1	68	40
Brookline	171	178	1	2	81	72
Brookline	93	73	—	—	63	33
Brookline	169	140	2	—	75	63
Brookline	159	148	—	1	47	67
Brookline	71	64	—	1	47	22
Brookline	319	291	3	—	211	204
Brookline	160	132	—	3	74	65
Brookline	233	193	2	2	101	90
Brookline	135	138	2	—	79	61
Brookline	199	203	5	1	112	145
Brookline	107	77	—	—	47	48
Brookline	115	156	—	1	45	70
Brookline	134	146	—	1	60	65
Brookline	134	165	—	—	42	53
Brookline	139	168	—	3	68	62
Brookline	136	118	—	—	63	60
Brookline	382	445	1	2	192	266
Brookline	91	90	1	1	40	58
Brookline	432	344	—	3	216	168
Brookline	137	113	—	2	49	54
Brookline	254	175	—	—	152	108
Brookline	74	57	—	—	40	46
Brookline	103	113	1	—	36	50
Brookline	96	107	1	2	50	39
Brookline	101	74	2	—	47	26
Brookline	89	85	—	—	38	39
Brookline	149	135	—	—	44	52
Brookline	113	88	—	—	32	35
Brookline	125	99	1	—	41	40
Brookline	111	93	2	—	57	74
Brookline	105	101	3	2	51	52
Brookline	176	149	—	—	62	43
Brookline	113	115	—	—	34	35
Brookline	147	153	—	1	59	79
Brookline	190	118	1	—	84	53
Brookline	88	110	—	—	37	63
Brookline	123	122	—	—	91	114
Brookline	137	115	—	1	79	49
Brookline	77	85	—	—	31	63
Brookline	140	151	—	—	61	100
Brookline	137	143	—	1	67	83
Brookline	470	418	—	2	266	257
Brookline	113	90	—	—	47	38
Brookline	126	120	1	2	55	49
Brookline	90	77	—	1	55	51
Brookline	163	171	1	2	61	74
Brookline	103	117	2	1	52	44
Brookline	101	106	1	2	33	54
Brookline	102	109	1	—	34	55
Brookline	171	169	3	—	72	81
Brookline	56	69	—	—	40	29
Brookline	83	80	—	—	27	36
Brookline	38	41	1	—	38	18

## Fatalities BY MONTH

MONTH	Persons Killed	Per Cent of Total
Jan.	183	7.3
Feb.	156	6.3
Mar.	167	6.7
Apr.	158	6.3
May	226	9.1
June	217	8.7
July	209	8.4
Aug.	249	10.0
Sept.	238	9.5
Oct.	231	9.3
Nov.	211	8.5
Dec.	248	9.9
Total	2,493	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT
Monday	44,542	13.2	257	12.2
Tuesday	40,020	11.8	206	9.8
Wednesday	43,127	12.8	252	12.0
Thursday	45,759	13.6	257	12.2
Friday	56,843	16.8	357	17.0
Saturday	59,943	17.8	403	19.1
Sunday	47,334	14.0	372	17.7
Totals	337,568	100.0	2,104	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS		PERSONS
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# How ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1967

Collision of Motor Vehicle with—

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER CENT	INJURY ACCIDENTS	PER CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER CENT	ACC
Ran off road	18,426	5.5	328	15.6	368	14.8	7,951	8.5	11,993	8.0	1
Overturned in road	1,245	0.4	33	1.6	35	1.4	724	0.8	960	0.6	1
Pedestrian	10,729	3.2	382	18.2	386	15.5	10,347	11.1	10,798	7.2	1
Motor vehicle in traffic	235,021	69.6	899	42.7	1172	47.0	62,024	66.5	109,622	73.3	23
Parked motor vehicle	51,441	15.2	24	1.1	24	0.9	3,860	4.1	4,962	3.3	4
Railroad train	654	0.2	94	4.5	122	4.9	267	0.3	431	0.3	2
Bicyclist	2,060	0.6	37	1.8	39	1.6	2,023	2.2	2,186	1.5	2
Animal	1,270	0.4	2	0.1	2	0.1	216	0.2	307	0.2	1
Fixed object	13,169	3.9	281	13.3	321	12.9	4,685	5.0	6,647	4.5	1
Other object	2,189	0.6	6	0.3	6	0.2	428	0.5	694	0.5	1
Other non-collision	1,364	0.4	18	0.8	18	0.7	768	0.8	912	0.6	1
Totals	337,568	100.0	2104	100.0	2,493	100.0	93,293	100.0	149,512	100.0	32

# When ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1967

\* Includes one fatality with a time not stated

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
URBAN	MON.	2	5	4	3	—	—	3	1	—	1	5	3	4	4	5	6	4	9	14	1	6	4	9	3	96
	TUES.	5	4	6	1	2	3	2	2	3	4	3	2	1	3	6	4	9	2	8	2	2	5	1	5	85
	WED.	10	—	1	2	2	1	3	3	2	1	4	6	4	4	3	8	10	14	1	2	10	3	4	9	107
	THUR.	2	3	5	1	1	1	5	5	6	1	3	1	4	4	3	10	8	8	7	5	2	4	6	3	98
	FRI.	8	7	1	3	3	—	2	2	4	—	3	3	6	3	4	10	2	11	10	13	8	7	14	10	134
	SAT.	6	11	11	6	7	3	1	2	1	2	2	2	6	7	5	7	3	10	10	10	5	4	8	5	134
	SUN.	7	10	12	9	9	7	1	1	2	—	—	4	8	3	4	7	4	11	6	3	8	11	6	3	136
	TOTAL	40	40	40	25	24	15	17	16	18	9	20	21	33	28	30	52	40	65	56	36	41	38	48	38	790

# Where ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1967

URBAN	All Accidents	Per Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per Cent	Persons Injured	Per Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per Cent
250,000 and over pop.	144,122	42.7	300	14.3	311	12.5	39,777	26.6	137	33.6
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	10,815	3.2	23	1.1	25	1.0	5,102	3.4	10	2.4
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	28,042	8.3	93	4.4	97	3.9	14,192	9.5	35	8.6
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	31,005	9.2	84	4.0	92	3.7	14,015	9.4	26	6.4
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	32,993	9.8	105	5.0	126	5.0	15,563	10.4	35	8.6
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	24,266	7.2	121	5.7	139	5.6	11,604	7.8	42	10.3
Urban totals	271,243	80.4	726	34.5	790	31.7	100,253	67.1	285	69.9

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 80 per cent of all accidents and 32 per cent of all traffic fatalities.

# Why ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1967

## CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS

Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total	Circumstance Indicated	Urban	Rural	Total	Per Cent of Total
Speed too fast	177	474	651	31.8	Made improper turn	5	7	12	0.6
Failed to yield right-of-way	257	202	459	22.4	Other improper driving	25	46	71	3.5
Drove left of center	49	242	291	14.2	Inadequate brakes	7	7	14	0.7
Improper overtaking	3	62	65	3.2	Improper lights	6	7	13	0.6
Passed stop sign	37	145	182	8.9	Had been drinking	86	114	200	9.8
Disregarded traffic signal	38	28	66	3.2	Totals	696	1,351	2,047	100.0
Followed too closely	6	17	23	1.1					

HUMAN ERROR SPELLS DEATH. Some sort of improper driving on the part of one or more drivers involved contributed to 99 per cent of all fatal accidents. Speed too fast, failed to yield right-of-way, drove left of center, and had been drinking remain as factors that contributed to three out of four of these fatal mishaps.

CATEGORY OF INJURY	B	C
2	8,010	3,896
2	205	89
6	4,119	3,924
3	32,721	52,930
3	1,759	1,493
5	123	79
1	1,092	529
3	130	86
9	611	349
0	204	230
1	347	414
5	49,321	64,019

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

- A. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.
- B. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.
- C. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury; or momentary unconsciousness.

## ILLINOIS MOTORISTS Who MET DEATH IN 1968

Age Group (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED *				PERSONS INJURED *			
	MALE	PER-CENT	FEMALE	PER-CENT	MALE	PER-CENT	FEMALE	PER-CENT
0-4	54	3.0	46	6.3	2,793	3.4	2,289	3.4
5-9	59	3.3	44	6.1	4,980	6.0	3,421	5.2
10-14	55	3.1	18	2.5	3,856	4.7	2,958	4.5
15-19	262	14.8	102	14.0	12,554	15.2	9,814	14.8
20-24	288	16.2	84	11.6	12,475	15.1	9,498	14.3
25-34	289	16.3	73	10.1	14,932	18.1	10,286	15.5
35-44	179	10.1	67	9.2	10,680	13.0	8,505	12.8
45-54	191	10.8	87	12.0	8,648	10.5	7,994	12.1
55-64	170	9.6	85	11.7	5,690	6.9	5,090	7.7
65-74	134	7.6	71	9.8	2,653	3.2	2,673	4.0
75 and over	90	5.1	49	6.7	1,089	1.3	966	1.5
Not stated	2	0.1	—	—	2,103	2.6	2,778	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,773</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>82,453</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>66,272</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\*Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
RURAL	MON.	14	8	6	3	7	1	12	8	6	4	8	4	8	4	3	13	10	11	15	19	3	11	4	15	197
	TUES.	6	5	2	2	1	6	5	12	8	6	6	7	3	10	9	8	9	28	13	13	7	15	16	4	201
	WED.	11	9	3	1	1	1	4	4	4	6	14	7	6	6	4	17	13	18	7	12	10	11	10	19	198
	THUR.	4	13	4	5	9	11	11	4	11	12	3	8	10	8	5	10	12	16	11	10	6	7	16	7	213
	FRI.	5	10	3	1	2	1	2	8	9	4	5	10	11	11	13	16	13	15	20	11	14	7	22	23	236
	SAT.	16	33	19	15	23	11	15	13	2	6	9	12	8	11	9	9	12	18	17	19	15	15	26	19	352
	SUN.	21	20	17	12	11	12	5	4	5	1	5	20	24	17	14	13	12	23	16	29	15	12	10	14	332
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>1,729</b>

RURAL	All Accidents	Per-cent	Fatal Accidents	Per-cent	Total Persons Killed	Per-cent	Persons Injured	Per-cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per-cent
State highways	41,032	11.7	955	45.7	1,226	49.1	32,456	21.8	76	19.9
Tollways	1,955	0.5	26	1.2	34	1.4	936	0.6	2	0.5
County and local roads	13,939	4.0	292	14.0	346	13.9	9,348	6.3	29	7.6
Towns below 2,500 pop.	10,482	3.0	104	5.0	123	4.9	5,533	3.7	16	4.2
Rural totals	67,408	19.2	1,377	65.9	1,729	69.3	48,273	32.4	123	32.2
Statewide totals	351,065	100.0	2,090	100.0	2,499	100.0	148,725	100.0	382	100.0

DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS. Although less than one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1968 occurred in rural locations, nearly two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.

# ACCIDENT FACTS

"MAKE SAFETY HAPPEN"

Who  
When  
Where



## Illinois Motor Vehicle Traffic

How

State of Illinois



Richard B. Ogilvie

Governor

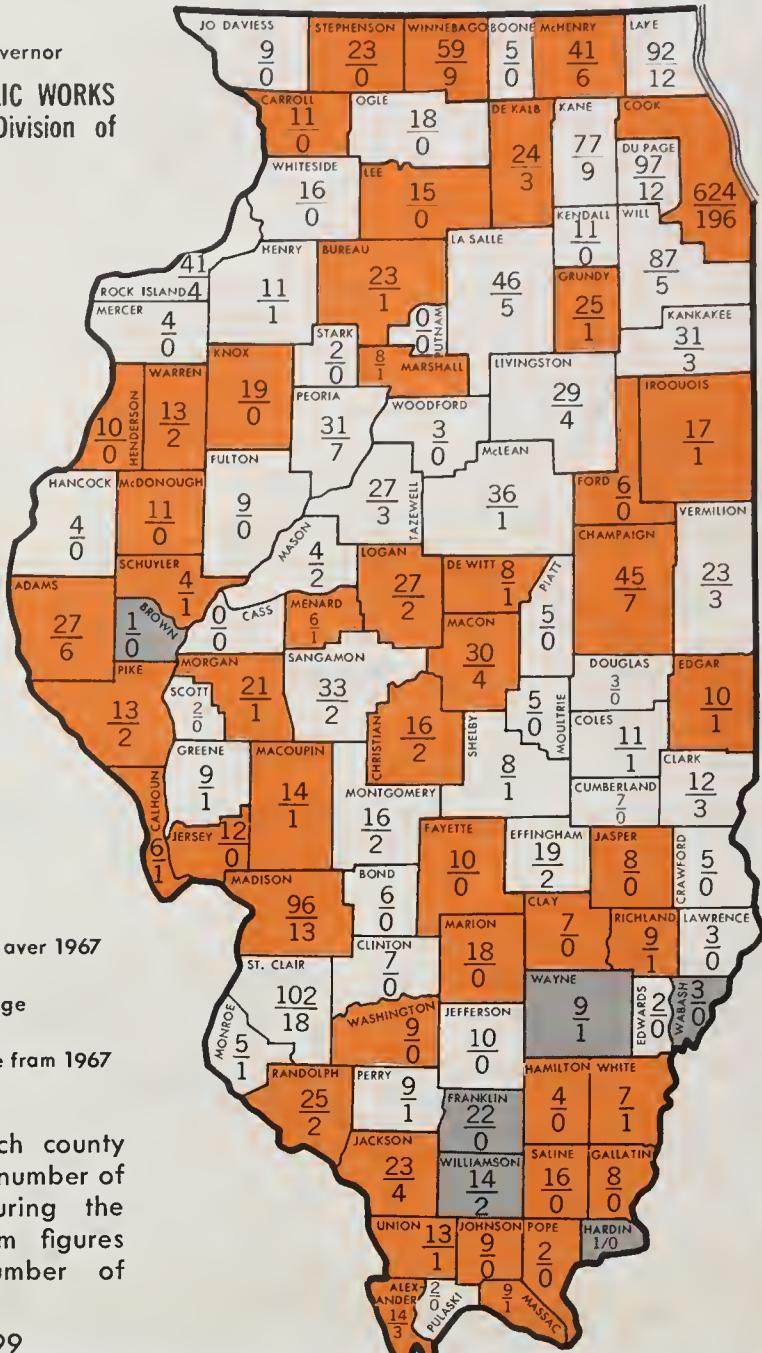


# Illinois MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC DEATHS IN 1968

STATE OF ILLINOIS

RICHARD B. OGILVIE, Governor

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AND BUILDINGS ★ Division of  
Highways



## 10 Year Trends IN TRAFFIC - ILLINOIS\*

UP  
37%

### MILLIONS OF VEHICLES REGISTERED

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
3.72	3.82	3.89	4.01	4.13	4.29	4.49	4.67	4.89	5.08

UP  
29%

### MILLIONS OF LICENSED DRIVERS

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
4.63	4.64	4.70	4.73	4.87	5.44	5.60	5.82	5.96	5.97

UP  
44%

### BILLIONS OF MILES

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
35.58	36.51	37.65	38.74	40.09	42.52	44.18	47.30	48.57	51.19

UP  
39%

### HUNDREDS OF DEATHS

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
17.95	17.25	18.22	18.90	20.28	22.07	22.56	25.22	24.93	24.99

UP  
45%

### THOUSANDS OF INJURIES

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
102.31	104.83	110.19	112.31	119.89	134.16	145.54	149.14	149.51	148.73

UP  
61%

### THOUSANDS OF ACCIDENTS

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
217.49	236.98	244.07	252.02	258.68	281.16	324.07	329.42	337.56	351.07

DOWN  
2%

### DEATHS PER ONE HUNDRED MILLION VEHICLE MILES

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
5.0	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.3	5.1	4.9

UP  
13%

### AVERAGE NUMBER OF DEATHS FOR EACH DAY OF HOLIDAYS

1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
8.9	6.0	6.9	7.0	6.9	10.0	9.9	9.4	8.5	10.1

\*1968 COMPARED WITH 1959

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY CITIES\*

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Having more than 5,000 population		1968		1967	
	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967
Chicago	154,659	144,122	348	311	41,698	39,777
Rockford	6,986	6,870	15	12	3,072	3,183
Peoria	4,603	3,945	13	13	2,095	1,919
Springfield	3,787	3,666	8	10	1,966	1,980
East St. Louis	3,029	3,190	15	14	1,856	1,915
Evanston	2,156	2,164	3	5	835	875
Ocatur	3,378	3,129	12	9	1,604	1,673
Cicero	1,609	1,612	1	4	667	688
Joliet	2,340	2,529	9	17	1,202	1,238
Aurora	1,865	2,020	7	6	862	906
Oak Park	1,716	1,946	5	4	847	1,087
Skokie	2,758	2,836	—	9	1,541	1,515
Waukegan	1,688	1,712	3	11	777	800
Berwyn	1,162	1,113	1	1	463	442
Rock Island	1,795	2,125	4	7	839	1,073
Champaign	2,637	2,346	3	5	1,008	942
Elgin	1,327	1,393	9	7	556	539
Quincy	1,137	1,040	8	1	471	475
Alton	1,119	1,054	4	1	502	532
Moline	2,064	2,321	6	7	725	824
Oanville	1,715	1,741	3	7	634	715
Granite City	960	791	4	8	450	372
Belleville	1,516	1,262	5	4	655	557
Galesburg	943	935	2	3	376	362
Elmhurst	1,223	1,215	3	6	559	519
Bloomington	1,629	1,585	1	5	764	745
Oes Plaines	1,418	1,692	6	4	643	846
Chicago Heights	938	1,052	3	2	456	471
Park Ridge	823	781	2	—	368	311
Park Forest	386	400	1	2	157	191
Harvey	1,781	1,841	5	2	898	858
Wilmette	683	642	2	1	286	297
Pekin	1,036	914	—	3	550	518
Arlington Heights	828	864	5	1	417	423
Kankakee	1,336	1,242	3	2	553	564
Oak Lawn	1,147	1,219	1	3	617	726
Maywood	704	734	2	1	292	360
Urbana	1,042	889	—	3	377	383
Freeport	781	814	1	2	302	355
Highland Park	928	998	3	7	487	497
Calumet City	1,380	1,239	9	5	644	633
Wheaton	660	635	2	3	245	346
Evergreen Park						

ITY	in order of size (1960 census).					
	Number of Accidents	Persons Killed		Persons Injured		
	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967
River	394	395	2	6	185	212
Brook	447	416	—	1	218	201
Re	324	362	1	1	132	144
Le	222	227	2	2	106	84
Re	366	341	—	—	139	119
Meadows	186	168	1	—	106	93
In Springs	172	204	1	—	76	85
Forest	427	486	4	3	276	257
lein	200	216	—	2	93	108
ston	296	289	1	—	114	144
e	157	165	—	—	59	52
Holland	283	335	2	2	129	157
it	401	332	7	3	171	179
outh	260	278	1	—	103	97
alls	318	279	2	1	124	97
lsville	231	227	—	1	123	94
de	236	191	—	1	84	85
298	305	1	1	—	133	186
208	221	—	1	—	69	77
182	195	1	7	—	83	104
217	180	—	1	—	109	89
164	183	2	—	—	71	79
Charles	446	472	1	5	262	320
burg	183	196	1	2	57	81
ville	535	582	—	1	207	227
Park	445	454	1	—	161	244
rankfort	162	155	1	3	65	83
ock	189	206	3	1	63	76
ville	223	216	3	—	109	109
ysboro	226	208	—	—	76	93
Carmel	210	192	1	—	94	72
view	192	204	—	1	72	78
Grove	243	258	2	1	83	91
et Park	231	248	1	1	87	120
c	441	431	1	1	240	232
ake	174	130	2	1	71	67
ton	266	314	3	—	102	113
ort	285	222	—	—	187	119
ns	295	286	—	—	185	180
a	99	113	—	1	57	68
town	125	171	1	1	60	81
ville	81	93	—	—	66	63
191	169	1	2	—	97	75
polis	153	159	—	—	41	47
View	97	71	1	—	48	47
eld	294	319	3	3	202	211
ville	153	160	2	—	52	74
son	197	233	—	2	86	101
ing	166	135	—	2	65	79
Heights	220	199	—	5	128	112
le	82	107	2	—	34	47
ore	152	115	1	—	62	45
on	149	134	—	—	48	60
Chicago	148	134	—	—	59	42
Chicago	171	139	2	—	88	68
Coeur	490	382	1	1	256	192
ove Village	87	91	—	1	43	40
ston	512	432	2	—	202	216
hian	102	137	1	—	41	49
ington Park	408	254	1	—	179	152
pin	131	74	6	—	67	40
125	103	1	1	—	35	36
er	123	96	2	1	72	50
Park	94	101	1	2	44	47
ld	104	89	2	—	59	38
town	177	149	—	—	52	44
ton	111	113	—	—	33	32
ey	129	125	1	1	30	41
Crest	91	111	—	2	38	57
ota	130	105	1	3	96	51
mont	201	176	—	—	59	62
ington	168	147	—	—	83	59
Hill	165	190	—	1	60	84
ondon Hills	96	123	—	—	64	91
ley	148	137	—	—	73	79
o Ridge	69	77	—	—	27	31
ood Heights	177	140	1	—	104	61
er Park	137	137	1	—	62	67
alia	431	470	4	—	232	266
142	113	1	—	—	41	47
enceville	111	126	—	1	31	55
ville	86	90	—	—	33	55
ington	198	163	—	1	80	61
le Valley	120	103	4	2	63	52
on	125	101	2	1	54	33
eka	140	102	—	1	61	34
seo	191	171	3	3	78	72
nd Lake Beach	77	56	1	—	36	40
44	38	—	1	—	21	27
					32	38

## Fatalities BY MONTH

MONTH		Persons Killed	Percent of Total
Jan.		174	6.9
Feb.		173	6.9
Mar.		186	7.4
Apr.		179	7.1
May		204	8.2
June		209	8.4
July		228	9.1
Aug.		234	9.4
Sept.		269	10.8
Oct.		200	8.0
Nov.		244	9.8
Dec.		199	8.0
Total		2,499	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY DAY OF WEEK

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT
Monday	47,046	13.4	261	12.5
Tuesday	45,359	12.9	233	11.1
Wednesday	46,057	13.1	258	12.3
Thursday	47,824	13.6	269	12.9
Friday	57,404	16.4	294	14.1
Saturday	61,484	17.5	431	20.6
Sunday	45,891	13.1	344	16.5
Totals	351,065	100.0	2,090	100.0

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES

COUNTY	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS		PERSONS KILLED		PERSONS INJURED		COUNTY	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS		PERSONS KILLED		PERSONS INJURED	
	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967		1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967
Adams	1,656	1,556	27	9	835	840	Macon	3,952	3,615	30	26	2,064	2,058
Alexander	373	365	14	12	227	241	Macoupin	767	709	14	11	478	473

# How ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1968

Collision of Motor Vehicle with—

Type of Accident	All Accidents	Per-Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per-Cent	Persons Killed	Per-Cent	Injury Accidents	Per-Cent	Persons Injured	Per-Cent	CA A
Ran off roadway	33,602	9.6	756	36.2	902	36.1	13,322	14.2	20,508	13.8	8,06
Overturned in roadway	650	0.2	13	0.6	13	0.5	349	0.4	466	0.3	17
Pedestrian	11,317	3.2	378	18.1	382	15.3	10,938	11.7	11,439	7.7	3,39
Motor vehicle in traffic	239,969	68.4	735	35.1	956	38.2	59,935	64.1	104,964	70.6	19,31
Parked motor vehicle	53,301	15.2	23	1.1	25	1.0	3,817	4.1	4,925	3.3	1,67
Railroad train	651	0.2	77	3.7	100	4.0	264	0.3	387	0.2	18
Bicyclist	2,101	0.6	42	2.0	43	1.7	2,059	2.2	2,202	1.5	58
Animal	1,547	0.4	2	0.1	2	0.1	193	0.2	269	0.2	5
Fixed object	3,925	1.1	52	2.5	64	2.6	1,277	1.4	1,889	1.3	92
Other object	2,429	0.7	2	0.1	2	0.1	460	0.5	664	0.4	23
Other non-collision	1,573	0.4	10	0.5	10	0.4	827	0.9	1,012	0.7	25
<b>Totals</b>	<b>351,065</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,090</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,499</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>93,441</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>148,725</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>35,38</b>

# When ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1968

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
URBAN	MON.	5	9	4	4	1	1	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	5	2	10	9	7	5	2	11	10	5	1	107
	TUES.	5	—	1	1	2	2	2	4	4	2	3	—	2	—	6	8	7	6	6	5	6	3	4	5	84
	WED.	1	3	2	1	2	—	1	3	1	2	3	1	5	7	1	6	13	7	9	5	9	9	4	4	99
	THUR.	2	5	6	2	1	3	4	3	1	2	6	5	2	5	1	6	9	8	10	7	2	5	5	6	106
	FRI.	4	2	2	2	1	—	4	4	2	1	2	4	5	3	3	6	9	7	6	8	6	6	13	3	103
	SAT.	18	13	4	4	7	2	4	3	1	1	2	3	5	7	7	4	7	10	16	9	4	9	10	10	160
	SUN.	4	2	8	10	4	2	2	1	1	—	4	1	6	4	5	6	13	5	5	6	9	4	5	4	111
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>770</b>

# Where ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1968

URBAN	All Accidents	Per-Cent	Fatal Accidents	Per-Cent	Total Persons Killed	Per-Cent	Persons Injured	Per-Cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per-Cent
250,000 and over pop.	154,659	44.0	331	15.8	348	13.9	41,698	28.0	142	37.2
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	11,589	3.3	24	1.2	28	1.1	5,167	3.5	10	2.6
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	27,343	7.8	62	3.0	68	2.7	13,459	9.1	19	5.0
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	31,481	9.0	82	3.9	91	3.6	13,757	9.3	32	8.4
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	33,386	9.5	103	4.9	114	4.6	15,071	10.1	28	7.3
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	25,199	7.2	111	5.3	121	4.8	11,300	7.6	28	7.3
Urban totals	283,657	80.8	713	34.1	770	30.7	100,452	67.6	259	67.8

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 81 percent of all accidents and 31 percent of all traffic fatalities.

# What VEHICLE TYPES WERE INVOLVED IN ILLINOIS FATAL ACCIDENTS IN 1968

MOTOR VEHICLES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS										
Type of Vehicle	Urban	Rural	Total	Percent	Type of Vehicle	Urban	Rural	Total	Percent	
Passenger car	872	1,773	2,645	82.1	Motorcycle, motor scooter or motor bicycle		32	43	75	2.3
Taxicab	8	4	12	0.4	Subtotals		1,059	2,139	3,198	99.2
Truck or truck tractor and semi-trailer	118	308	426	13.2	Vehicles not incl. above:					
Other truck combination	2	5	7	0.2	Farm tractor and/or farm equipment		—	10	10	0.3
Bus	26	4	30	0.9	Others and not stated		10	4	14	0.5
School bus	1	2	3	0.1	Totals		1,069	2,153	3,222	100.0

DEATH USES MANY MEANS. Fatal accidents involved practically every type of motor vehicle using Illinois' streets and highways. Percent of registrations compared to percent of involvement, respectively, by vehicle type were as follows: Passenger cars—85.9 and 82.1 percent; taxicabs—0.1 and 0.4 percent; trucks and truck combinations—11.9 and 13.4 percent; buses and school buses—0.3 and 1.0 percent; and motorcycles, motor scooters, and motor bicycles—1.8 and 2.3 percent. Since a large proportion of fatal accidents involved two or more vehicles, the number of vehicles involved in fatal accidents greatly exceeded the number of persons killed.

ILLINOIS MOTORISTS Who MET DEATH IN 1969

RY	
C	
4,462	
107	
4,216	
57,035	
1,769	
113	
489	
84	
365	
532	
385	
69,557	

Note: The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

- A. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene.
- B. Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.
- C. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury; or momentary unconsciousness.

Age Group (yrs.)	PERSONS KILLED *				PERSONS INJURED *			
	MALE	PER-CENT	FEMALE	PER-CENT	MALE	PER-CENT	FEMALE	PER-CENT
0-4	53	3.0	32	4.1	2,780	3.2	2,427	3.5
5-9	67	3.8	35	4.6	4,964	5.7	3,610	5.1
10-14	46	2.6	34	4.4	3,904	4.5	3,107	4.4
15-19	245	13.9	131	17.0	13,262	15.2	10,655	15.2
20-24	306	17.4	85	11.0	13,981	16.0	10,303	14.7
25-34	284	16.2	69	8.9	16,435	18.8	11,028	15.7
35-44	186	10.6	76	9.8	11,036	12.7	8,764	12.5
45-54	185	10.5	105	13.6	8,953	10.3	8,310	11.8
55-64	150	8.5	69	8.9	5,894	6.8	5,485	7.8
65-74	132	7.5	85	11.0	2,570	2.9	2,696	3.8
75 and over	106	6.0	52	6.7	1,110	1.3	1,019	1.4
Not stated	—	—	—	—	2,286	2.6	2,875	4.1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1,760</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>87,175</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>70,279</b>	<b>100.0</b>

\*Pedestrians and bicyclists included

Time hour beginning	Mid- night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total
MON.	10	5	9	2	2	4	3	6	5	6	6	7	4	8	14	16	10	13	7	7	6	8	5	5	168
TUES.	6	7	6	2	1	4	5	11	9	4	2	8	5	6	9	12	11	11	6	9	6	11	5	5	162
WED.	4	7	3	4	2	5	6	11	3	7	9	8	1	14	8	14	14	17	10	7	8	13	6	9	190
THUR.	9	7	6	4	2	3	4	7	7	8	9	10	9	4	11	9	15	15	14	6	16	11	10	12	208
FRI.	15	10	8	—	2	4	5	6	8	7	8	6	10	7	9	16	13	13	10	12	16	15	16	24	240
SAT.	24	32	13	16	10	13	19	12	8	9	6	6	16	13	10	17	20	27	30	19	24	17	19	24	404
SUN.	13	16	28	11	6	2	2	4	3	2	8	7	13	8	17	18	23	24	18	14	11	25	16	16	305
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>1677</b>

RURAL	All Accidents	Per- cent	Fatal Accidents	Per- cent	Total Persons Killed	Per- cent	Persons Injured	Per- cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per- cent
State highways	38,618	9.5	843	39.9	1,102	43.5	29,092	18.5	70	17.6
Controlled access highways	5,530	1.4	88	4.2	106	4.2	3,354	2.1	4	1.0
County and local roads	13,963	3.4	306	14.5	368	14.5	8,801	5.6	24	6.1
Towns below 2,500 pop.	12,500	3.1	89	4.2	101	4.0	5,779	3.7	17	4.3
Rural totals	70,611	17.4	1,326	62.8	1,677	66.2	47,026	29.9	115	29.0
Statewide totals	405,505	100.0	2,111	100.0	2,533	100.0	157,454	100.0	397	100.0

DEATH LURKS ON THE HIGHWAYS. Although less than one fifth of all traffic accidents during 1969 occurred in rural locations, nearly two thirds of the fatal accidents were included among them.

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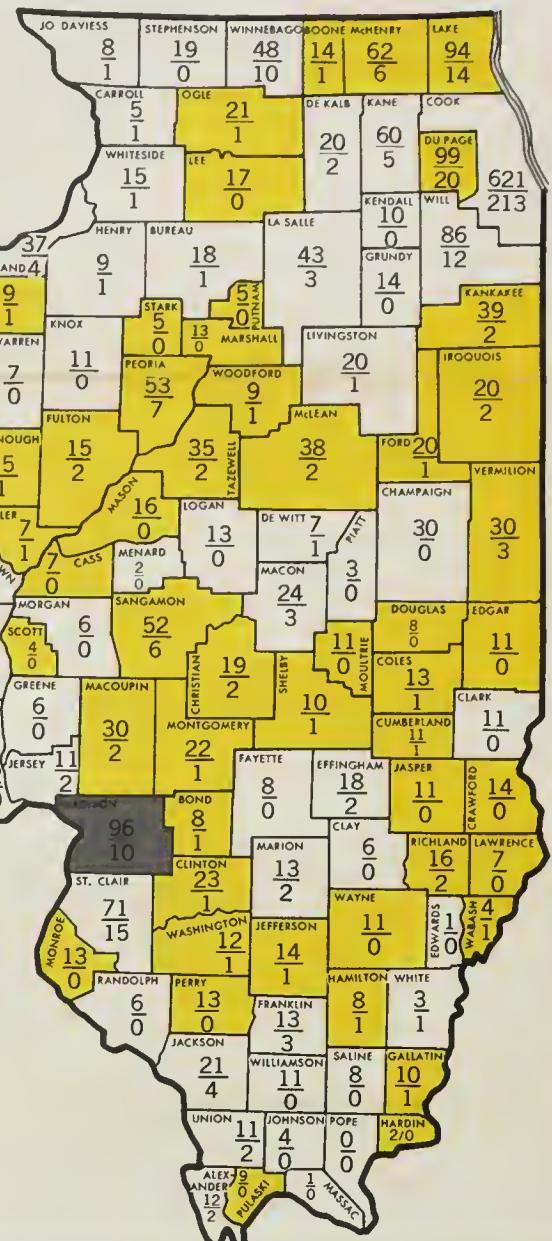


# Illinois MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC DEATHS IN 1969

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### LEGEND

- Indicates Increase over 1968
- Indicates No Change
- Indicates Decrease from 1968

Top figures in each county represent the total number of persons killed during the year 1969. Bottom figures represent the number of pedestrians killed.

**TOTAL KILLED 2,533**  
(PEDESTRIANS KILLED 397)

## 10 Year Trends IN TRAFFIC - ILLINOIS\*

UP  
35%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	3.82	3.89	4.01	4.13	4.29	4.49	4.59	4.84	5.01	5.14

UP  
30%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	4.64	4.70	4.73	4.87	5.44	5.60	5.82	5.96	5.97	6.01

UP  
48%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	36.51	37.65	38.74	40.09	42.52	44.18	47.30	48.57	51.19	53.87

UP  
47%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	17.25	18.22	18.90	20.28	22.07	22.56	25.22	24.93	24.99	25.33

UP  
50%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	104.83	110.19	112.31	119.89	134.16	145.54	149.14	149.51	148.73	157.45

UP  
71%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	236.98	244.07	252.02	258.68	281.16	324.07	329.42	337.56	351.07	405.51

NONE

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	4.7	4.8	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.3	5.1	4.9	4.7

UP  
37%

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
	6.0	6.9	7.0	6.9	10.0	9.9	9.4	8.5	10.1	8.2

\*1969 COMPARED WITH 1960

## Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY CITIES\*

Having more than 5,000 population.

CITY	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968
Chicago	164,055	154,659	353	348	43,728	41,698
Rockford	7,436	6,986	17	15	2,922	3,072
Peoria	7,715	4,603	23	13	2,784	2,095
Springfield	5,093	3,787	10	8	1,884	1,966
East St. Louis	3,417	3,089	18	15	1,981	1,856
Evanston	3,351	2,156	7	3	925	835
Decatur	3,888	3,378	6	12	1,536	1,604
Cicero	1,794	1,609	11	1	724	667
Joliet	2,722	2,340	14	9	1,231	1,202
Aurora	3,363	1,865	7	7	1,423	862
Oak Park	2,128	1,716	1	5	1,071	847
Skokie	4,159	2,758	12	—	1,819	1,541
Waukegan	1,795	1,688	3	3	771	777
Berwyn	1,191	1,162	—	1	436	463
Rock Island	2,047	1,795	5	4	761	839
Champaign	2,544	2,637	3	3	920	1,008
Elgin	1,746	1,327	7	9	572	556
Quincy	1,560	1,137	1	8	560	471
Alton	1,186	1,119	10	4	464	502
Moline	2,399	2,064	8	6	775	725
Danville	1,822	1,715	3	3	644	634
Granite City	1,734	960	4	4	625	450
Belleville	1,679	1,516	5	5	682	655
Galesburg	1,390	943	—	2	383	376
Elmhurst	2,117	1,223	9	3	713	569
Bloomington	2,206	1,629	5	1	700	764
Des Plaines	2,133	1,418	1	6	908	643
Chicago Heights	1,583	938	4	3	738	456
Park Ridge	1,074	823	2	2	384	368
Park Forest	449	386	—	1	184	157
Harvey	2,048	1,781	4	5	869	898
Wilmette	900	683	6	2	483	286
Pekin	1,245	1,036	4	—	504	550
Arlington Heights	1,551	828	4	5	565	417
Kankakee	1,505	1,336	3	3	493	553
Oak Lawn	1,825	1,147	12	1	779	617
Maywood	1,330	704	4	2	800	292
Urbana	1,059	1,042	1	—	357	377
Freeport	949	781	—	1	344	302
Highland Park	1,074	928	2	3	446	487
Calumet City	1,676	1,380	6	9	703	644
Wheaton	845	660	2	2	290	245
Evergreen Park	805	793	1	2	352	335
Elmwood Park	861	617	1	1	289	318
Lombard	994	800	1	2	488	484
Melrose Park	1,503	800	3	1	557	397
Rantoul	403	284	—	2	155	103
Jacksonville	775	705	—	6	259	268
Downers Grove	1,001	685	7	3	479	379
Bellwood	485	432	—	2	198	183
Morton Grove	1,245	669	3	1	563	342
North Chicago	883	541	2	3	329	255
Brookfield	383	357	—	1	173	153
Niles	1,226	1,087	2	3	538	574
Villa Park	912	528	7	2	452	270
Blue Island	1,083</					

Y	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968
er	578	394	2	2	239	185
ook	526	447	—	—	270	218
	343	324	2	1	135	132
	328	222	1	2	122	106
	489	366	3	—	122	139
eadows	312	186	2	1	114	106
Springs	228	172	1	1	78	76
est	642	427	3	4	209	276
in	346	200	—	—	114	93
on	360	296	3	1	142	114
	271	157	1	—	74	59
lland	390	283	3	2	197	129
ll	651	401	3	7	271	171
	348	260	3	1	137	103
th	343	318	1	2	130	124
ls	341	231	—	—	148	123
ville	393	236	1	—	155	84
	403	298	1	1	159	133
	214	208	2	—	80	69
	239	182	2	1	110	83
	214	217	1	—	99	109
	192	164	4	2	69	71
arles	489	446	2	1	247	262
rg	206	183	—	1	39	57
ille	640	535	1	—	233	207
ark	528	445	—	1	181	161
inkfort	150	162	1	1	41	65
ck	378	189	3	3	62	63
le	252	223	1	3	97	109
oboro	271	226	2	—	93	76
armel	214	210	2	1	95	94
ew	179	192	1	—	52	72
ille	368	243	—	2	134	83
ove	342	231	—	1	113	87
Park	495	441	1	1	226	240
	257	174	1	2	96	71
	280	258	—	—	72	106
Lake	412	191	1	1	145	79
	320	184	1	—	125	85
am	337	270	1	—	126	88
	357	268	1	—	154	134
iverside	315	266	1	1	152	116
	436	208	—	—	119	68
	454	231	—	—	219	132
	423	266	1	3	117	102
	274	285	2	—	121	187
	339	295	—	—	179	185
Estates	391	176	2	—	181	95
	131	99	1	—	63	57
	166	125	1	1	59	60
own	141	81	—	—	68	66
lle	170	191	2	1	70	97
	136	153	—	—	40	41
olis	159	97	—	1	58	48
view	447	294	2	3	232	202
ld	169	153	1	2	79	52
ille	167	197	—	—	75	86
an	210	166	—	—	66	65
ng	367	220	1	—	167	128
heights	216	82	—	2	83	34
	154	152	—	1	73	62
	184	149	—	—	66	48
	147	148	—	—	36	59
	149	171	3	2	65	88
icago	301	144	—	—	80	72
	607	490	—	1	310	256
	153	87	2	—	93	43
ive Village	629	512	1	2	223	202
ton	197	102	—	1	42	41
ian	405	408	1	1	183	179
ington Park	273	131	2	6	135	67
	187	125	—	1	56	35
	103	123	1	2	35	72
	178	94	1	1	68	44
ark	211	104	—	2	64	59
ld	142	177	2	—	41	52
town	122	111	—	—	27	33
	147	129	—	1	42	30
	118	91	—	—	50	38
	197	130	1	1	87	96
	288	201	—	—	74	59
	170	119	—	—	60	57
	165	168	1	—	54	83
	181	165	—	—	54	60
	126	104	—	—	31	35
	218	96	—	—	109	64
	177	148	—	—	53	73
	149	69	—	—	74	27
	371	177	—	1	201	104
	191	137	—	1	69	62
	794	431	1	4	227	232
	185	142	—	1	33	41
	143	111	—	—	59	31
	153	86	—	—	42	33
	273	198	1	—	74	80
	226	120	5	4	70	63
	131	125	1	2	18	54
	133	140	—	—	52	61
	218	191	—	3	88	78
	146	77	1	1	55	36
	85	96	1	—	19	21
	100	44	1	—	40	32
Lake Beach						

## Fatalities BY MONTH

MONTH		Persons Killed	Percent of Total
Jan.		141	5.6
Feb.		182	7.2
Mar.		206	8.1
Apr.		186	7.3
May		207	8.2
June		261	10.2
July		222	8.8
Aug.		260	10.3
Sept.		218	8.6
Oct.		220	8.7
Nov.		217	8.6
Dec.		213	8.4
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,533</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## **Summary of Traffic Accidents by Day of Week**

DAY OF WEEK	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT
Monday	55,279	13.7	232	11.0
Tuesday	51,600	12.7	236	11.2
Wednesday	52,297	12.9	244	11.6
Thursday	53,876	13.3	286	13.5
Friday	69,471	17.1	329	15.6
Saturday	70,228	17.3	437	20.7
Sunday	52,754	13.0	347	16.4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>405,505</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## **Summary OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES**

County	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured		County	Number of Accidents		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968		1969	1968	1969	1968	1969	1968
Adams	2,116	1,656	21	27	910	835	Macon	4,484	3,952	24	30	1,996	2,064
Alexander	367	373	12	14	205	227	Macoupin	938	767	30	14	509	478
Bond	313	366	8	6	201	271	Madison	8,082	6,251	96	96	4,219	3,772
Boone	913	816	14	5	352	415	Marion	1,423	1,240	13	18	736	711
Brown	104	88	—	1	59	49	Marshall	228	229	13	8	106	162
Bureau	807	804	18	23	408	454	Mason	306	284	16	4	155	134
Calhoun	118	133	2	6	47	54	Massac	314	204	1	9	155	113
Carroll	420	424	5	11	189	252	Menard	155	142	2	6	84	95
Cass	294	291	7	—	129	161	Mercer	375	344	9	4	197	231
Champaign	5,110	5,159	30	45	2,182	2,348	Monroe	440	379	13	5	315	242
Christian	714	725	19	16	386	467	Montgomery	793	705	22	16	595	456
Clark	434	382	11	12	317	282	Morgan	1,140	1,092	6	21	479	564
Clay	361	351	6	7	215	217	Moultrie	326	306	11	5	213	175
Clinton	592	553	23	7	421	406	Ogle	1,058	953	21	18	496	452
Coles	1,472	1,110	13	11	624	506	Peoria	9,320	5,873	53	31	3,742	2,946
Cook	235,368	209,494	621	624	75,289	69,792	Perry	544	472	13	9	330	251
Crawford	460	403	14	5	198	262	Piatt	204	219	3	5	101	119
Cumberland	241	233	11	7	184	208	Pike	496	467	12	13	272	296
OeKalb	1,564	1,185	20	24	571	585	Pope	56	63	—	2	35	55
DeWitt	354	363	7	8	180	206	Pulaski	159	175	9	2	114	124
Douglas	434	320	8	3	307	218	Putnam	112	120	5	—	53	79
DuPage	14,632	10,799	99	97	6,940	6,116	Randolph	682	647	6	25	440	475
Edgar	410	379	11	10	242	202	Richland	444	385	16	9	241	209
Edwards	125	110	1	2	95	79	Rock Island	6,379	5,719	37	41	2,492	2,642
Effingham	714	660	18	19	443	390	St. Clair	9,007	8,257	71	102	5,310	5,230
Fayette	488	432	8	10	244	251	Saline	574	528	8	16	247	327
Ford	415	351	20	6	209	250	Sangamon	6,780	5,420	52	33	2,999	2,985
Franklin	741	756	13	22	418	442	Schuyler	181	161	7	4	115	118
Fulton	1,108	841	15	9	447	425	Scott	144	136	4	2	107	70
Gallatin	229	190	10	8	157	152	Shelby	409	383	10	8	207	205
Greene	342	267	6	9	135	168	Stark	129	135	5	2	74	84
Grundy	919	639	14	25	428	384	Stephenson	1,491	1,339	19	23	679	611
Hamilton	169	126	8	4	122	90	Tazewell	3,643	2,888	35	27	1,831	1,768
Hancock	490	486	16	4	278	280	Union	340	340	11	13	250	233
Hardin	53	72	2	1	40	65	Vermilion	2,852	2,620	30	23	1,198	1,178
Henderson	276	274	6	10	165	193	Wabash	263	269	4	3	115	131
Henry	1,233	1,193	9	11	585	639	Warren	676	675	7	13	351	344
Iroquois	835	750	20	17	569	507	Washington	344	335	12	9	253	229
Jackson	1,797	1,250	21	23	847	723	Wayne	370	394	11	9	214	206
Jasper	164	184	11	8	107	93	White	438	414	3	7	213	271
Jefferson	1,107	1,063	14	10	592	686	Whiteside	1,941	1,563	15	16	914	845
Jersey	477	491	11	12	300	349	Will	6,251	5,426	86	87	3,359	3,369
JoOaviess	712	626	8	9	284	296	Williamson	1,167	1,017	11	14	645	625
Johnson	165	146	4	9	123	107	Winnebago	9,842	9,334	48	59	4,237	4,427
Kane	8,206	5,637	60	77	3,513	2,969	Woodford	465	456	9	3	311	302
Kankakee	2,935	2,563	39	31	1,364	1,397	Totals	405,505	351,065	2,533	2,499	157,454	148,725
Kendall	514	541	10	11	297	363							
Knox	1,858	1,475	11	19	692	747							
Lake	10,470	7,902	94	92	5,046	4,675							
LaSalle	3,239	2,574	43	46	1,612	1,394							
Lawrence	399	345	7	3	271	198	Travel						
Lee	1,010	952	17	15	470	465	Accident reporting rate						
Livingston	1,308	1,142	20	29	742	811	Reported accidents						
Logan	1,133	908	13	27	663	559	Fatalities						
McDonough	1,070	921	15	11	562	451	Travel-death rate						
McHenry	3,328	2,415	62	41	1,559	1,326	One hundred ninety-one reports of nonfatal accidents						
McLean	3,113	2,298	38	36	1,815	1,865	were received per fatal accident report this						
							year, compared with 167 last year.						

## Light CONDITIONS

Light Condition	Number of Fatal Accidents			
	Urban	Rural	Total	Percent
Daylight	370	648	1,018	48.2
Dusk or dawn	34	52	86	4.1
Darkness	381	626	1,007	47.7
Total accidents	785	1,326	2,111	100.0

## THE 1869 TOLL

THE 1969 TOLL	
Persons killed	2,533
Persons injured	157,454
Economic costs	\$520,000,000*

\*Estimated costs of all

Accident reporting rate	Increase 14%
Reported accidents	Increase 16%
Fatalities	Increase 1%
Travel-death rate	Decrease 4%

One hundred ninety-one reports of nonfatal accidents were received per fatal accident report this year, compared with 167 last year.

# How ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1969

Collision of Motor Vehicle with—

TYPE OF ACCIDENT	ALL ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT	FATAL ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT	PERSONS KILLED	PER-CENT	INJURY ACCIDENTS	PER-CENT	PERSONS INJURED	PER-CENT	CATEGORY OF	
											A	B
Ran off roadway	39,720	9.8	731	34.7	878	34.7	14,814	14.9	22,113	14.0	9,388	8.2
Overturned in roadway	716	0.2	17	0.8	26	1.0	402	0.4	549	0.3	196	2.2
Pedestrian	11,771	2.9	389	18.4	397	15.7	11,382	11.4	11,905	7.6	3,468	4.2
Motor vehicle in traffic	274,879	67.8	775	36.7	1,008	39.8	63,831	64.0	110,667	70.3	20,524	33.1
Parked motor vehicle	65,288	16.1	27	1.3	28	1.1	4,171	4.2	5,358	3.4	1,841	1.7
Railroad train	705	0.2	86	4.1	106	4.2	273	0.3	399	0.3	183	1.1
Bicyclist	2,156	0.5	27	1.3	27	1.1	2,129	2.1	2,231	1.4	649	1.0
Animal	1,616	0.4	3	0.1	3	0.1	220	0.2	278	0.2	66	1.1
Fixed object	4,123	1.0	40	1.9	44	1.7	1,217	1.2	1,724	1.1	848	5.5
Other object	2,812	0.7	3	0.1	3	0.1	500	0.5	1,231	0.8	366	3.3
Other non-collision	1,719	0.4	13	0.6	13	0.5	821	0.8	999	0.6	255	3.3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>405,505</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,533</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>99,760</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>157,454</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>37,784</b>	<b>50.1</b>

# When ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1969

Time (Hour beginning)	Mid-night	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Noon	1:00	2:00	3:00	4:00	5:00	6:00	7:00	8:00	9:00	10:00	11:00	Total	
URBAN	MON.	5	13	3	1	2	—	5	4	7	4	2	2	3	3	4	10	6	4	10	4	2	2	6	8	110
	TUES.	2	5	6	1	3	—	—	1	3	—	8	4	1	4	9	9	9	8	5	7	3	6	4	4	102
	WED.	2	1	5	3	—	4	2	—	6	2	3	1	5	6	—	8	4	2	9	6	3	9	1	—	82
	THUR.	10	7	4	4	2	2	—	2	—	1	1	5	1	5	11	7	5	5	6	10	9	5	2	12	116
	FRI.	3	7	9	2	2	—	7	4	4	2	1	2	4	5	8	9	6	5	7	6	11	9	14	7	134
	SAT.	7	10	6	7	4	6	6	2	3	3	2	10	4	10	5	10	10	10	7	13	6	9	6	14	170
	SUN.	11	10	8	14	2	3	2	2	3	2	3	2	7	6	5	6	9	7	6	8	10	4	6	6	142
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>856</b>

# Where ILLINOIS MOTORISTS MET DEATH IN 1969

URBAN	All Accidents	Per-cent	Fatal Accidents	Per-cent	Total Persons Killed	Per-cent	Persons Injured	Per-cent	Pedestrians Killed	Per-cent
250,000 and over pop.	164,055	40.5	332	15.7	353	14.0	43,728	27.8	154	38.8
100,000 to 250,000 pop.	15,151	3.7	36	1.7	40	1.6	5,706	3.6	10	2.5
50,000 to 100,000 pop.	34,948	8.6	85	4.0	104	4.1	14,562	9.2	31	7.8
25,000 to 50,000 pop.	40,784	10.1	102	4.8	109	4.3	15,595	9.9	27	6.8
10,000 to 25,000 pop.	45,905	11.3	113	5.4	125	4.9	17,903	11.4	29	7.3
2,500 to 10,000 pop.	34,051	8.4	117	5.6	125	4.9	12,934	8.2	31	7.8
Urban totals	334,894	82.6	785	37.2	856	33.8	110,428	70.1	282	71.0

DEATH STALKS THE STREETS. Three fifths of the motor vehicle miles traveled in Illinois were in cities over 2,500 population. They accounted for 83 percent of all accidents and 34 percent of all traffic fatalities.

# What VEHICLE TYPES WERE INVOLVED IN ILLINOIS FATAL ACCIDENTS IN 1969

MOTOR VEHICLES IN FATAL ACCIDENTS										
Type of Vehicle	Urban	Rural	Total	Per-cent	Type of Vehicle	Urban	Rural	Total	Per-cent	
Passenger car	960	1,694	2,654	80.0	Motorcycle, motor scooter or motor bicycle	50	57	107	3.2	
Taxicab	4	3	7	0.2	Subtotals	1,165	2,133	3,298	99.4	
Truck or truck tractor and semi-trailer	125	362	487	14.7	Vehicles not incl. above:					
Other truck combination	—	8	8	0.2	Farm tractor and/or farm equipment	—	12	12	0.4	
Bus	22	2	24	0.7	Others and not stated	4	4	8	0.2	
School bus	4	7	11	0.4	Totals	1,169	2,149	3,318	100.0	

DEATH USES MANY MEANS. Fatal accidents involved practically every type of motor vehicle using Illinois' streets and highways. Percent of registrations compared to percent of involvement, respectively, by vehicle type were as follows: Passenger cars—85.9 and 80.0 percent; taxicabs—0.1 and 0.2 percent; trucks and truck combinations—11.9 and 14.9 percent; buses and school buses—0.3 and 1.1 percent; and motorcycles, motor scooters, and motor bicycles—1.8 and 3.2 percent. Since a large proportion of fatal accidents involved two or more vehicles, the number of vehicles involved in fatal accidents exceeded the number of persons killed by 24 percent.